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SUEZ USERS REJECT TERMS

Not In Accordance With Security Council Resolution

London, May 9.

A communique issued after the meeting of the Council of the Suez Canal Users Association here today stated: "It was the general consensus of the member countries that the Egyptian declaration is insufficient and falls short of the six requirements for a settlement of the Suez Canal question which were embodied in the resolution of the Security Council of October 13, 1956.

"In so far as use of the Canal is resumed by the shipping of member states this does not imply their acceptance of the Egyptian declaration as a settlement of the Suez Canal Question."

The communique said the French delegate expressed a reservation to the effect that it was his government's opinion it was not possible in present circumstances to recommend the use of the Canal to member states.

A British Foreign Office spokesman said the main resolution adopted by the Scua members "does not in fact recommend the use of the Canal to member states."

PROBABLY NECESSARY

The spokesman added the British Government's advice to British shipping (to avoid use of the Suez Canal) still stands.

He added that the majority of Scua members indicated they had no power to stop their shipping using the Canal and for a variety of reasons it was probable their ships might find it necessary to do so.

The spokesman added that the majority believed the continuation of the present situation was impracticable.

The delegate of Spain expressed a reservation to the effect that it is solely within the competence of the United Nations to decide whether or not the Egyptian declaration is consistent with the resolution of the Security Council.

Later in Paris, French shipping circles said they expected to maintain its total boycott.

OFFICIAL ATTITUDE

The official French attitude, remains firmly against use of the Canal by French ships until President Nasser changes his terms.

According to shipping sources tonight, this attitude is likely to be closely respected by shipowers, who depend on government authorisation for the use of foreign exchange in payment of Canal dues.—Reuter.

Action Urged Against Shipowners

London, May 9.

A BRITISH Conservative member of Parliament tonight tabled a motion in the House of Commons urging action against shipowners whose vessels have passed through the Suez Canal and paid dues to Egypt.

The MP, Mr Hugh Fraser, had given advance warning of this in the House during the day.

His motion reads: "That this House, in view of Egyptian intransigence over the international control of the Suez Canal calls upon Her Majesty's Government to instruct the British Government-appointed director of the International Suez Canal Company in Paris to move for the bringing of proceedings to recover dues from all persons whose ships have passed through the Canal and paid dues to Egyptian authorities instead of to the company."—Reuter.

SOVIET SHIP STOPPED

Cairo, May 9.

THE Egyptian Suez Canal authority today ordered the Soviet freighter Klaipeda to be stopped at Port Said after passing through the Canal from Suez.

One report said the ship passed through Suez after paying her tolls from an account subsequently found to be overdrawn.—Reuter.

Peer Impatient For China Trade

London, May 9.

Lord Elibank, a Liberal Peer, tonight urged the British Government to increase its trade with China "notwithstanding the intention of the United States to retain its embargo."

Lord Elibank told the House of Lords that Britain should now reduce the list of goods banned for export to China — because they may be considered of potential wartime value—to that for Russia.

Lord Home, Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, replied that the House must await the outcome of discussions by the China trade committee which began in Paris this week.

He said: "We will do anything reasonable but it would be extremely foolish, for a little temporary increased income, to give certain materials to countries who might use them against us in case of war."—Reuter.

32 Killed In Plane Crash

Madrid, May 9.

Thirty-two people were killed tonight when a Spanish airliner flying from Santiago to Madrid crashed here.

The airliner crashed and burst into flames less than a mile from the Madrid airport of Barajas.

There were no survivors.—Reuter.

UNION CHIEF PUT SON IN BEER BUSINESS

Washington, May 9.

Sen. John F. Kennedy charged today that Teamster President Dave Beck apparently "associated himself" with one of America's biggest breweries "in limiting a wage increase" for his Union members.

He made the accusation as the Senate Racketts Committee unfold additional details of what Kennedy called Beck's "abnormal business relationship" with the brewery, Anheuser-Busch, Inc.

Officials of the St Louis, Missouri, Company testified that Beck used his power as a Teamster leader to get control of their largest distributorship for Budweiser beer.

They also said they sought Beck's help on labour problems with other unions and sounded him out on whether some competitive breweries in California would resist a Teamster demand for a wage increase.

INSTALLED SON

The Committee was told that Beck installed his son Dave Beck Jr, as President of the distributing firm and demanded that Junior get a nickle a case on all Budweiser sold in Alaska, plus $1,000 a month — even in the winter.

It also produced documents in which brewery officials pictured the younger Beck as "an outgrown, spoiled boy."

John L. Wilson, Executive Vice-President of Anheuser-Busch, testified he once called on Beck for "anything he could do for us" during a construction strike at the company's plant in Los Angeles.

He said he also approached the Teamster leader in 1954 for information on the Union's impending negotiations with members of the California Brewers Institute.

The two incidents caused Kennedy to question Wilson's "ethical approach."

"So you went to Beck, with whom you had an abnormal business relationship, to find what your competitors were going to do," Kennedy told Wilson. "That's a very strange request."

LIMITING INCREASE

"I do not think so," the brewery official replied.

"You are trying to find out if any brewer was going to break the line" in the wage negotiations, the Senator continued. "It seems to me.... that Beck associated himself with you in limiting a wage increase."

Wilson replied that the contract was eventually signed "at a higher figure than some of us thought should be paid."

The Committee produced a telegram from Beck to Wilson indicating he co-operated in helping solve the brewery's labour troubles in Los Angeles. —United Press.

Forest Fire In Japan: Rio Blaze

Tokyo, May 9.

Thousands of Japanese volunteers were rushed into northern forests in Hokkaido today to help fight what was called "the most serious forest fire in the history of Japan."

A police spokesman said the volunteers had fought the fire, which had destroyed more than 2,500 acres of valuable timber, for more than 20 hours.

Latest reports here tonight said the fire had not been brought under control.

In Rio de Janerfo a huge fire destroyed more than a hundred houses in the Leblon Quarter last night and several persons were feared to have perished in the flames.

Dozens of persons were taken to hospital during the blaze which left 500 people homeless. —Reuter and United Press.

BIG SWING TO LEFT IN BRITISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

London, May 10.

A marked swing to the left was evident early today in the results of elections to borough councils in England and Wales.

Polling had taken place yesterday in 356 boroughs where electors had to choose one-third of the councillors to represent them for the next three years.

In a further 45 boroughs there was no polling as all vacant seats were filled by unopposed returns.

Early today, with results available from 375 boroughs, the Labour Party had gained 234 seats, lost 49 and won three new seats created for this election.

Followed Pattern

This swing to Labour, who form the Opposition in the national Parliament, followed a pattern evident earlier in the week in urban and rural district council elections.

Conservatives at that time had made 49 gains while suffering 209 losses. Liberals had chalked up 29 gains and 16 losses.

Independent candidates had gained 41 seats, lost 76 and won three of the new seats. Communists had made no gains and lost one seat.

Before counting began last night, Labour spokesmen had expressed confidence, but warned that they were "defending" big wins at similar elections three years ago.

They said that, accordingly, a further landslide in the party's favour would not be easy to achieve.

When the retiring councillors who stood for re-election yesterday were elected in 1954, Labour scored a resounding success.

Candidates

In that year, Labour candidates gained 448 seats and lost 34, Conservatives had a net loss of 290 and Liberals a net loss of 125.

At yesterday's elections, there were 5,251 candidates for 3,476 seats. Labour had put forward 2,249 candidates, the Conservatives 1,836, the Liberals 333, the Communists 75 and there were 758 Independents.—Reuter.

Ammunition Dumping Deplored

London, May 9.

A Conservative member of Parliament protested today that the United States Air Force had dumped ammunition, explosives and rockets in an English river.

The member, Mr Brian Harrison, put forward a House of Commons question asking the Government to make the Americans recover this material from the river Blackwater, in Essex.

He claims the explosives are of "a hazardous nature" and are causing damage to fishing nets.

Mr Harrison will also ask the Government to stop any more explosives being thrown into the river.—China Mail Special.

Ditched Tanker Plane Crew Sighted

Bonn, May 9.

Rescue aircraft have sighted a raft with the seven crew members of a ditched American tanker plane in the Atlantic off the Spanish coast, an American spokesman said today.

United States Air Force rescue planes have been scanning the Atlantic for the ditched Boeing KC 97 tanker, last reported aflout with one engine torn off.

An official statement said later that one of the men had a head injury but all others are in good condition.

The search aircraft had radio contact with the raft.

The survivors will be picked up either by a rescue seaplane or ships proceeding to the area.—Reuter.

Snakes Die On Fasting Fakir

Nancy, May 9.

A French fakir who started a 70-day fast on a bed of broken glass in a snake-filled coffin here last March was still going strong today but several of the snakes had died of hunger.

The fakir, 46-year-old "Burmah", still has a week to go.

He then intends to decide whether to try for a non-official world fasting record which he says is held by a German.

The fakir, who claims a personal record of 99 days without food, was bitten on the upper lip by one of his hungry bedfellows four days after the fast started on March 6 but he did not abandon his record try.

Officials occasionally replace the dead snakes with well-fed ones.—France-Presse.

ST NAZAIRE ATTACKED AGAIN

St Nazaire, May 9.

A gang of 150 shipyard workers today broke into the telephone exchange at the Atlantic dockyards in St Nazaire, destroyed the installation and broke windows in the yards premises.

The gang, described by the police as "extremists" also set fire to a truck and damaged other vehicles parked in the yards. When policemen tried to quell the disturbance, they were met with a volley of stones.

The great majority of dock workers disapproved the gang's action, and left work at the normal hour this evening.

The damage was estimated at over 300,000,000 francs.—France-Presse.

Royal Visit To Bonn Pending

London, May 9.

Front page report in today's Daily Mail stated that Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Federal Chancellor, is anxious that Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip, should visit West Germany.

"So far no more than an unofficial hint was been given of his wish, but Western diplomats believe it will be followed up with a firm invitation," the report added.—Reuter.

PARTIAL DISARMAMENT SOUGHT BY YUGOSLAVIA

London, May 9.

The United Nations Disarmament subcommittee meeting here today considered a memorandum from the Yugoslav Government suggesting that efforts be made to seek a partial agreement on disarmament, conference sources said.

Commander Allan Noble, the British delegate, expressed his gratitude for the Yugoslav proposals and expressed agreement with the main theme of the Belgrade memorandum that efforts be made to seek a partial agreement.

The British delegate said that his government favoured comprehensive disarmament but, if this could not be achieved, then Britain was ready to join in any negotiations for a partial agreement.

He also agreed with the Yugoslav suggestion that disarmament should evolve simultaneously in both the conventional and the nuclear fields, always, of course under the necessary control measures.

Zorin Silent

Jules Moch and Mr David Johnson, leaders of the French and Canadian delegations, also commented on the Yugoslav memorandum, put to the Subcommittee on April 10.

Mr Zorin did not speak at today's meeting.

The sources said that the atmosphere at today's meeting was even better than usual and one non-American delegate was understood to have said that this was so because of President Eisenhower's observations yesterday.

The President told a Washington press conference then that the London disarmament talks were more honest than similar negotiations held in the past.—Reuter.

Double Murder Verdict

New York, May 9.

The Pinellas County Grand Jury today returned two first degree murder indictments against Maurice Chavigny, dapper French war hero charged with killing a retired Army General and his wife.

The police arrested Chavigny after a shooting chase on April 3 a short time after the bodies of General Wilburn McReynolds and his wife were found in their fashionable home here.—United Press.

SUCCESSFUL AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE

London, May 9.

Britain's air-to-air guided missile "Firestreak" has been tested in Australia and found to be "most effective," the Air Minister, Mr George Ward, told the House of Commons today.

The Firestreak is a more advanced version of the "Fireflash" which has already started full-scale service trials on a Royal Air Force Swift 7 fighter aircraft.

Mr Ward said that when the Firestreak came into service and was fitted to Javelin and P1 supersonic fighters it should greatly increase their killing power.

He announced this latest progress in Britain's rocket development in asking the Commons for £487,650,000 to meet the cost of the Air Force in the financial year 1957-58. This is £10 million more than last year.

OTHER POINTS

Other points Mr Ward made were:

The build-up of the force of giant Valiant jet bombers was completed.

The heart of Britain's latest radar defence chain was a high-powered radar which acted both as an early warning and as a control radar.

The commander of the defensive forces could now have before him an instantaneous picture of threatened attack some hundreds of miles before British coasts were reached.—Reuter.

More Persian Gang Victims

Karachi, May 9.

Persian bandits who are alleged to have murdered three Americans in March, have killed three Persian border policemen in the mountainous Niloh area of Persia, Pakistan Foreign Office sources said here today.

The gang, led by Dad Shah, is held responsible for the murder of two American aid officials, Mr Brewster Wilson and Mr Kevin Carroll, and Mr Carroll's wife Anita.

Dad Shah's brother Ahmed Shah, who is said to have confessed to murdering Mrs Carroll, is held in a Pakistan gaol with 17 other alleged members of the gang.—Reuter.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

HK's Answer

REAFFIRMATION this week of an earlier decision by the Hongkong Cotton Spinners Association not to accede to a request from Lancashire to self-impose a ceiling on imports to Britain of Hongkong-made cloth has drawn irate reactions from British textile industrialists who persist with their one-eyed view of the whole question.

It would seem that nothing can persuade Lancashire to appreciate Hongkong's position. In the Colony's post-war-developed economy, now so substantially dependent on our industries, textile manufacturing and processing occupies a position of considerable importance. The industry is a big employer of labour and its exported products have a high earning value. Any interference with its operations must of necessity have an adverse effect on the Colony.

IT may strike Lancashire textile industrialists as a simple matter for their Hongkong contemporaries to impose restrictions on imports into the United Kingdom. But to do so would involve a slowing down in production and inevitably a laying-off of workers.

The Colony cannot afford at this time by voluntary restraint in industrial production to swell the unemployment market. It would in any event be radically unfair to our textile workers to do so. They are entitled to a full livelihood, and so long as our manufacturers can sell their products overseas, that livelihood is assured.

THE mission which representatives of the Lancashire cotton industry undertook earlier this year was perforce a forlorn one. But it was not Hongkong's fault that India imposed the condition that she would consent to a voluntary restriction of imports to the United Kingdom only if Hongkong did likewise. Admittedly that made the mission's task harder, but Lancashire must not blame Hongkong because India so far has refused to agree to import limitations.

It is absurd for British textile leaders to suggest that this week's announcement by the Hongkong Cotton Spinners Association was intended to, or could in fact, undermine the present talks going on between Lancashire representatives and Pakistan textile industrialists. Pakistan has long known that the Colony's textile manufacturers have no intention of submitting to the request made by Lancashire. Pakistan's decision, therefore, will be made completely independent of any Hongkong views on the subject. It is true, however, that the announcement made on Wednesday will enable the British delegates now in Pakistan to appreciate there is no point in continuing their journey to Hongkong. That will save them valuable time and expense.

In Your Saturday Mail

Tomorrow the China Mail brings you up-to-date on the Middle East situation with a two-page spread.

★ *OIL AND TURMOIL: Everyone from Sefton Delmer to Giles take the Middle East apart in fact and humour.*

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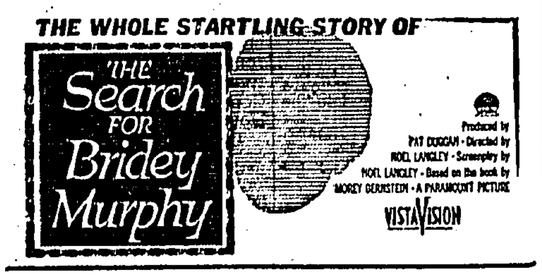

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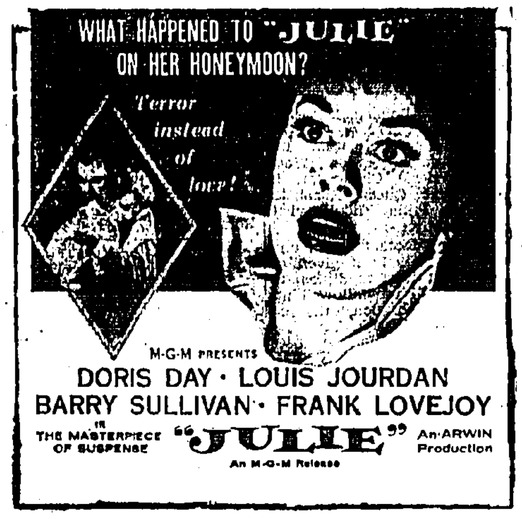

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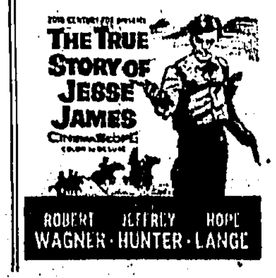

HYPOCRISY OF 'RUSSIAN OUTCRY'

Test Registration Not Contemplated Says Lord Home

London, May 9.

Lord Home, Britain's Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, said in the House of Lord tonight that the "Russian outcry" against the forthcoming British hydrogen bomb near Christmas Island test was hypocritical.

In the last few days Britain had put forward a scheme for registration and limitation of tests. The Russian reception had not been encouraging, Lord Home said during a two-day debate on Britain's defence plans.

"They did not even contemplate registration," he said.

This revealed the very hypocrisy of the Russian outcry against our one test which we propose compared with the many tests that have carried out and their intention to proceed with them."

Intensified

Lord Home said that while the Soviet Union was in a position to launch total war it could also promote limited wars if it wished. The cold war had been intensified.

The lesson of the last war was unmistakable.

If Britain was to fulfil her obligations under regional pacts, and to the British Commonwealth, her forces must have the maximum mobility and highest possible striking power, Lord Home added.

Lord Home said he was not so sure if full-scale nuclear war need follow the use of an atomic weapon in a more limited war.

"If Russia started a small war with the intention of making it a larger one, then inevitably it becomes a nuclear war," he went on.

Not Necessary

"But I conceive of a war taking place in which tactical atomic weapons might be used but in which the great powers might not think it necessary to resort to the use of the nuclear bomb."

Lord Home then turned to Commonwealth defence.

He said the co-operation of the Commonwealth ran all through the Government's Defence White Paper outlining its plans. "Canada plans on the most intimate scale with us in Nato," he said.

Australia and New Zealand were also partners and were represented on the ground in Malaya.

"Pakistan is a member both of Seato and the Bagdad Pact, and we lately made an agreement with South Africa about the sea routes round the Cape —and the significance of those sea routes has been underlined by the recent events in Suez."

Lord Home went on:

Regional Basis

"All these regional organisations have their military planning committees. The Commonwealth must be defended regionally on a regional basis today, and plans are being kept up both for global and for limited war in these regional organisations.

"Let it not be thought that because India and Ceylon do not accept regional military commitments they do not have a very close liaison with our armed forces.

"On the contrary, we help them with training and equipment and there is the secondment of officers.

"The co-operation of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth countries is an absolute part of our defence plans."

The debate concluded. There was no vote.—Reuter.

NEW RICKSHAWS FOR HONGKONG ?

Singapore, May 9.

Two British firms have jointly developed a new kind of motor rickshaw that can carry up to half a ton, the United Kingdom Commission in South-east Asia reported today.

The three-wheeler rickshaw being shown in three forms—as a chassis, as a commercial truck and as a six-seater rickshaw — was being shown at the current International Trade Fair in Casablanca.

A statement from the Commission's Singapore Headquarters said the vehicle had been designed especially to suit conditions in North and South Africa and Rhodesia, but it was also suitable for many other world markets including India, Pakistan, Malaya, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Hongkong and Formosa.—Reuter.

MALAYANS FEAR DECLINE

Singapore, May 10.

The Straits Times said today some Malayan industrialists feared that tax relief given in Britain's last budget to overseas British companies might mean the decline of industries in Malaya.

The newspaper said these industrialists claimed the British firms would be able to shift their profits from one overseas country to another without incurring tax. Profits made in Malaya by tin and rubber companies might be invested in other territories.

The Straits Times said present development of the rubber industry in Africa with money partly made in Malaya had added to local fears.—Reuter.

Singapore, May 10.

About 500 tons of Thailand cement has been imported to Singapore for the first time, the Straits Times reported today.

The newspaper said the cement was likely to offer an amount of competition to other imported cements. It was believed the quality was similar and the price competitive.

Singapore authorities had passed it as being suitable for building and other constructional uses, the paper said.

Chinese contractors bought the first shipment.—Reuter.

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NATO—AND ROCKETS

A general view of the opening session of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation in Bad Godesburg, Germany, is pictured top. West German Chancellor Adenauer made a speech of welcome. Bottom picture shows the first public firing of an "Honest John" type of rocket by the South European Task Force. Exercise was carried out at Passo Vezzena, Italy.—Express Photo.

JAPAN APPEALS TO UNITED STATES FOR MORE SCRAP IRON

By STEWART HENSLEY

Washington, May 9.

Japan today appealed to the United States to permit it to buy and ship more heavy melting scrap iron and steel from the US.

The charge d'affaires, Takezo Shimoda, told representatives of the State and Commerce Departments that Japan's industrial progress would be slowed unless the United States loosened present restrictions on shipments of scrap to his country.

Mr Shimoda met at the State Department with Thorsten Kalijarvi, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, Harold McLellan, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs, and other US officials.

Japan wants to be permitted to buy and ship from the US in 1957 more than the 2,200,000 tons of scrap which she received from this source in 1956. She particularly wants an increase in the quota of 1,300,000 tons of heavy melting steel scrap which the US has placed on shipments to Japan during the current year.

Equal Amounts

This 1,300,000 tons quota is divided into equal amounts of heavy melting No 1 and heavy melting No 2—650,000 tons of each.

The Commerce Department last Monday suspended the further licensing of exports of No 1 heavy melting scrap to Japan on the grounds that export licences for 650,000 tons already had been issued in 1957.

Japan has registered a disagreement. She contends her figures show the amount is still below that.

American authorities also reported that licences for No. 2 heavy melting scrap for Japan are within 100,000 tons of the quota mark.

Mr Shimoda said that, irrespective of the disagreement on just how much has been licensed so far this year, Japan still needs more than the quotas provide if she is to continue her industrial expansion.

Restriction

The US also has placed restrictions on licensing of heavy No. 1 and No. 2 to the United Kingdom and members of the European Coal and Steel Community.

It is holding discussions with all principal users of American scrap to determine equitable distribution to foreign users.

The Commerce Department started serious consideration of the scrap situation when it received a report in January, prepared by a research institute, showing that the United States faced a serious shortage of melting scrap for use in its own industry.

It entirely suspended licensing of all heavy melting grades for several weeks but permitted their resumption until the action announced on Monday against Japan.—United Press.

US Economic Aid To Libya

Tripoli, May 9.

US economic and technical aid to Libya will total $23,000,000 by the end of June this year, it was officially announced today.

A statement from Premier Mustafa Ben Halim's office said the United States had given Libya 22,000 tons of wheat for drought-ridden areas and would also equip 1,000 Libyan troops.

An American advisory committee will study the further needs of the Libyan Army, the statement added.

In addition, the US Army Engineers Corps will build a new road between Tripoli and Wheelus Air Base which will be handed over to the Libyan government while the US operations mission is helping in the development of the Libyan economy in all fields, including agriculture, natural resources, communications, power stations, health and education.—United Press.

MONTY HITS MID-EAST POLICY

New York, May 10.

Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Deputy Allied Supreme Commander in Europe, said tonight the "startling" success of the Soviet Union in the Middle-east would go much further unless the Western alliance quickly came to its senses—"which it shows little signs of doing at present."

Addressing the Baltimore branch of the English-Speaking Union, Lord Montgomery said "very grave dangers" lay ahead and he urged the Western nations to work out a coherent and viable Middle-east policy capable of world-wide application.

Some nations, he added, were inclined to have two policies—one in the United Nations Assembly and another when their own national interests were involved.

"Such action can only lead to the break-up of the Western alliance—and that would spell the end for us all," he said.—Reuter.

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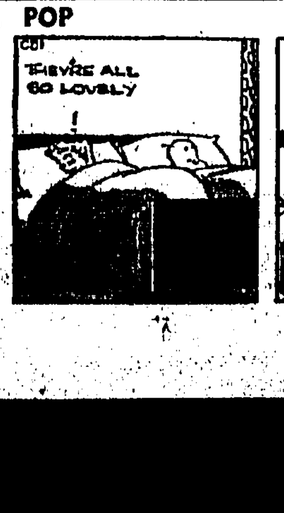


'POSTPONE GENERAL ELECTIONS'

Malayan Officials Sceptical Of Yamashita's Treasure

Kuala Lumpur, May 9.

Malayan Government officials and businessmen here were sceptical about reports from Japan of a treasure hidden in a disused colliery.

Mr Yozaburo Yamada, of Kanazawa City, central Japan, is reported to have said that the treasure was buried in the colliery by General Tomoyuki Yamashita, Commander-in-Chief of Japanese Forces in Malaya in World War II. He was later executed as a war criminal.

Mr Henry Wong, secretary of the Associated Chambers of Commerce said: "There may be endless civil suits from people who would claim a part of the treasure—if it exists."

He said he did not think any of the chambers' members would be prepared to finance a search for the "treasure."

DISUSED COLLIERY

The General Manager of the Malayan Collieries, Mr N. M. Warmington, said today that no one had asked permission to explore any disused collieries.

He said there were a number of them in the area south of Batu Arang, in Central Malaya.

Mr Yamada, a former Japanese Army Corporal, is reported to have said that he did not know the exact location of the treasure but could find his way to it from the former Japanese army headquarters in Malaya.

But today no one in Malaya was prepared to pay his fare from Japan to begin the search.

In Singapore, Mr Ken Ninomiya, the Japanese Consul-General, said he knew nothing officially about any moves to find the reported treasure.

"It's an interesting story if it's true," he commented.—Reuter.

TREATIES PASS FIRST READING

Bonn, May 9.

The West German Bundestag (Lower House) today unanimously approved the first readings of the treaties to set up a European Common Market and Atomic Energy Pool (Euratom).

This means that the treaties will now go to the relevant parliamentary committees for close studies. They have already passed the Bundesrat (Upper House) in first reading.

Dr Heinrich von Brentano, the Foreign Minister, asked Parliament to ratify the treaties before the current parliament expires in the autumn. West Germany would thus set an example to the other partners.—Reuter.

'Tranquillizer' Drugs Habit-Forming

United Nations, May 9.

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs unanimously recommended today that governments take measures to control the use of barbiturates and "keep a careful watch" on "tranquillizer" drugs.

The Commission adopted a resolution noting that the World Health Organisation had found that barbiturates "are to be considered as habit-forming and in certain circumstances can produce addiction, and thus are dangerous to public health".

It recommended appropriate legislative and administrative measures of control.

The Commission, noting the "rapidly increasing" use of new drugs described as tranquillizers or ataraxics, said WHO experts had found that certain drugs of that type must be classed as potentially habit-forming. It recommended that 'governments watch for any abuses "with a view to taking any necessary measures for control".

—United Press.

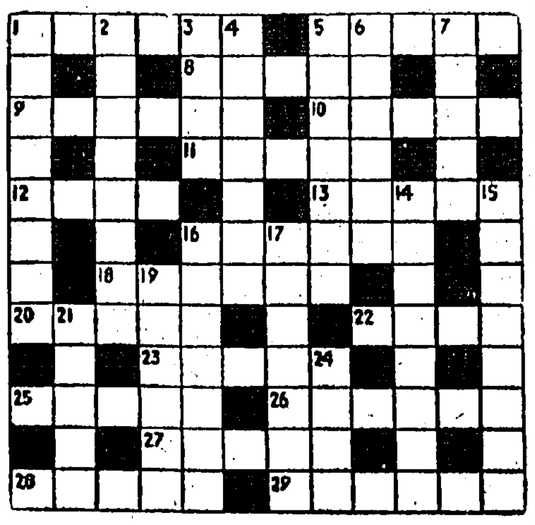
Voroshilov Resting

Djakarta, May 9.

President Voroshilov of Russia spent today resting at the summer palace of President Sukarno in the hills southeast of here.

Tomorrow the Russian President who is on a two-week state tour of the Indonesian islands will go to Bandung — scene of the Afro-Asian conference two years ago.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Set a value on Jenny? (6).
5 Grown-up (5).
8 Musical study (5).
9 Drug (6).
10 Greek epic (5).
11 Bird (5).
12 Used with a hammer (4).
13 Aquatic animal (5).
16 Wakens (6).
18 Disinclined (6).
20 Ventures (5).
22 Melody (4).
23 Tall support (5).
25 Lariat (5).
26 Amatory (6).
27 Rub out (6).
28 Purloined (5).
29 Carrying-chairs (6).

DOWN

1 Was prolific (6).
2 Sword (5).
3 Plants (4).
4 Loud speaker (7).
5 Fatty (7).
6 Expunge (6).
7 Depart (5).
14 Russian empress (8).
15 Love affairs (6).
16 Put back (7).
17 Vain request for economy (7).
19 Ship (6).
21 Separate (5).
24 Keeps boot in shape (4).

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Apparent, 8 Pursue, 9 Deviates, 11 Repaired, 12 Free, 13 Posts, 16 Realm, 19 Agog, 22 Garnered, 24 Detained, 25 Denial, 26 Minister. **Down:** 1 Spare, 2 Grope, 3 Auditor, 4 Peer, 5 Arid, 6 Entire, 7 Tested, 10 Vests, 14 Sedan, 15 Slender, 16 Random, 17 Cotton, 20 Trait, 21 Edits, 22 Glue, 23 Rode.

Multi-Party System Would Disrupt Unity Says Kadar

By RONALD PARQUHAR

Budapest, May 9.

Mr Janos Kadar, Prime Minister of Hungary, today called on the Hungarian National Assembly (Parliament) to prolong its life and postpone general elections due to be held this month.

He told the first meeting of Parliament since the Hungarian rising last October that it would be better to devote energies to repairing damage caused by the revolt, particularly in the economy, than to prepare an election.

Anyway, he said, the overwhelming majority of voters would approve candidates put forward by the Communist-led Patriotic People's Front.

(Government officials said that a Budapest Radio report that Parliament already agreed today to extend its life for two years was incorrect.) The Assembly is expected to approve during the present three-day session the Government proposal to extend its mandate, which the constitution permits in case of war or for other "extraordinary circumstances."

Untimely

In a two-hour speech in the vaulted marble and gilt assembly chamber, Mr Kadar said that a multi-party system would be untimely at present in Hungary, where only the ruling Socialist Workers (Communist) Party is active just now.

Mr Kadar said a multi-party system would cause troubles and disputes between parties and ideological confusion which would disrupt badly needed unity.

Anybody who supported Socialism could take part in public affairs.

Mr Kadar said Hungary did not agree with the view of some Yugoslav leaders that the Socialist camp was a military bloc. There were differences in Hungarian and Yugoslav assessments of the "counter revolution" and the role of Workers' Councils.

Articles in Yugoslav newspapers often criticised Hungarian measures, but the Hungarian press did not criticise Yugoslav internal affairs.

Maleter Accused

Earlier in the session, President Istvan Dobi accused the former "insurgent" Defence Minister, Major-General Pal Maleter, of wanting to give information about Soviet forces to the British military attache in Budapest during the rising.

Deputies shouted "shame" and "outrage" when Mr Dobi told them that General Maleter asked a cabinet meeting of the short-lived government of "National" Communist Imre Nagy if it had any objection to his giving information on movements and location of Soviet forces to the British attache.

Mr Dobi said he was at the meeting and told Maleter that, if he asked this, then it meant he had already given information to Westerners but Maleter did not reply.

General Maleter commanded insurgents in Kilian Barracks during the rising and was later appointed Defence Minister by Nagy. He was arrested when he went to talks with Soviet military leaders the night before Soviet troops attacked Budapest on November 4 and overthrew the Nagy government. He is reported to be in goal.

The British military attache at the time of the rising, Colonel Noel Cowlex, was expelled from Hungary last January accused of supporting "organisers of acts aimed at overthrowing the state order."

New Ministers

The Assembly approved unanimously the appointment of 11 new ministers, most of them already acting heads of their ministries.

It also endorsed a minor reshuffle in which Mr Antal Apro relinquishes office as Industry Minister to become Deputy Prime Minister and Mr Istvan Kossa switches from Financial Minister to Minister of Communications.

The Assembly accepted the resignation of 28 former members of the 298-strong parliament, including Matyas Rakosi, deposed Communist Party Chief, and now believed in the Soviet Union, and a number of his supporters. Among them were Ernoe Gerce and Andras Hegedues, Party First Secretary and Prime Minister respectively at the time of the October revolt.

Others who resigned were Professor Georgy Lukacs, Education Minister, in the Nagy Government, who returned to Hungary last month after more than four months' exile in Rumania, and Jozsef Bozsik, Hungarian international soccer star.

The Assembly also withdrew the mandate of another deputy, Arpad Miklos, who has fled to the West.—Reuter.

BRITAIN OPPOSES MOVE

Geneva, May 9.

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) will in future act as a "clearing house" for interested governments to arrange multilateral compensation of balances arising under their East-West trade and payments agreements, it was announced today.

In making the announcement, Mr Gunnar Myrdal, Swedish retiring Executive Secretary of ECE said that procedures for the functioning of this new arrangement had been worked out after consultations with governments.

A member of the secretariat explained that the arrangement was a "voluntary agreement between interested governments" and would enter into force on July 1.

During the present session of ECE, the British delegation have outlined a radically different approach to the question of East-West multilateral payments.

OPPOSITION

Mr D. A. Wright, of the British delegation, said that his government was opposed to such a scheme as that put forward by ECE, whereby national banks would submit quarterly balances of currencies available for multilateral compensation to an agency which would then work out circuits for payments.

He said that the essence of the British counter-proposals was that Western European countries should agree to allow balances of their currencies held by their Eastern trading partners to be freely transferrable throughout the European Payments Union.

He thought that the ECE scheme offered "no material advance in the direction of multilateralism."

He added that the countries still interested in it represented only 50 per cent of East-West trade, since West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Turkey had declared their intention not to subscribe to the ECE, arrangements.—China Mail Special.

Cairo, May 9.

A Brazilian United Nations driver was injured today in a mine explosion at Kuntilla in the Sinai Peninsula, the United Nations Information Centre announced—United Press.

HIROHITO'S BIRTHDAY

Japan's Emperor Hirohito—pictured top, inset—recently celebrated his 56th birthday. The occasion drew 40,000 well-wishers to the Palace grounds in Tokyo, whose gates were thrown open to the general public. Picture top shows part of the throng waving their greetings to the Emperor; Pictured bottom are a group of extreme nationalist Emperor-worshippers who attended the celebrations. Slogans on their kimonos read: "Only Way for Achievement of Eternal World Peace is through the Emperor." — Express Photo.

GROUP DEMANDS UN SANCTION AGAINST RUSSIA

United Nations, May 9.

Delegates of the Hungarian Reformed Church in the United States today demanded United Nations sanctions against the Soviet Union and the Hungarian "puppet" government of Janos Kadar.

They called for a special United Nations Assembly session to order these sanctions.

The delegates marched in procession to the UN headquarters where they left a memorandum containing their demands at the office of the Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjold.

The memorandum urged the UN to use all the peaceful means at their disposal to restore Hungarian freedom and independence. It said the moral value of the UN would be in doubt if the "brutal oppression" of the courageous Hungarian nation were accepted as a fait accompli. It added that it was "immoral and dangerous" to differentiate between aggressor according to their military strength.

EXAMINE REPORT

The delegates asked for a special Assembly session to examine the report on the Hungarian situation, drawn up by the special UN committee appointed to investigate events in that country since the revolt last October.

The demonstrators asked the UN to put on record the Soviet Union had violated the peace treaty with Hungary and the Warsaw pact. They urged that the Soviet Union should accordingly be classified as an aggressor and that sanctions should be applied against the USSR and the Hungarian "puppet" government as provided for in the UN charter.

They also called for free elections in Hungary under UN supervision, and demanded an end to death sentences and deportations.—France-Presse.

INFLUENZA ARRIVES IN AUSTRALIA

Brisbane, May 9.

Some 15 cases of influenza were reported aboard the German ship Milos today when it arrived from Japan.

More than half of the 30 aboard suffered the illness during the trip via Hongkong and New Guinea, it was reported. The vessel was nevertheless cleared to enter port by medical inspectors here.—United Press.

'BROTHERLY HELP' THANKS

Moscow, May 9.

Deputies of the Hungarian National Assembly (Parliament) today thanked the Soviet Union for its "brotherly help" in suppressing Hungary's counter-revolution.

The Soviet news agency Tass said in a Budapest dispatch that the message was unanimously approved by the Deputies, who met today for the first time since the uprising.

Their message said in part:

"We express our heartfelt gratitude to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the Soviet Government and the whole Soviet people for the selfless brotherly help they gave us in the suppression of the counter-revolution, the preservation of our socialist gains and the defence of our freedom and independence.

"Eternal glory and thanks to the Soviet heroes who gave their lives and blood in the battle against counter revolutionary gangs."—Reuter.

ARTIFICIAL SATELLITE SHOULD REMAIN IN OUTER SPACE FOR NINE YEARS

Cambridge (Mass.), May 9.

The artificial satellite, scheduled to be launched next year, should remain in outer space for nine years, a prominent American astronomer today told the American Society of Astronomy.

Dr Theodore Sterne, of the Smithsonian Institute and Harvard University Observatories, said he based his prediction on new calculations concerning the extremely slight density of air in outer space.

These calculations were made possible by experiments that he carried out in a US Air Force space chamber which duplicated altitudes higher than 260 miles above the earth, Sterne said.

This rarefied atmosphere would permit the satellite to circle the earth for nine years before falling into thicker layers of the earth's atmosphere where it would be consumed like a meteorite, Dr Sterne said.

Dr Fred K. Whipple, of Harvard University, told the Society that only a few technical problems had to be solved before space travel would become a reality. This might take place around 1970, he said.

At first space ships would circle the earth and, several years later, trips to the moon or Mars or Venus would probably be attempted, Dr Whipple said.—Transpo-Press.

India's Industry To Rely Heavily On Britain & Russia

By JOHN TALBOT

New Delhi, May 9.

The Indian Government today released details for the development of heavy machinery manufacture during the second Five-Year Plan in which British and Soviet interests are playing a predominant part.

The announcement said: "The Government decided that heavy structural fabricating work, plate and vessel, shop and heavy machine tool plant would be established as recommended by the United Kingdom Heavy Engineering Mission."

Suitable credit terms for these projects were discussed with Sir Norman Kipping, Director-General of the Federation of British Industries when he was in New Delhi recently, the announcement said, and further talks are now taking place in London.

Import Policy

"Talks with Sir Norman indicated that British industrial interests would be willing to collaborate in setting up these units," it added.

While the form of British credits is not given it is known that India's general import policy would favour a ten per cent payment on the signature of the contract and the remainder deferred until such time as the project is in production and earning foreign exchange.

The Government announcement said India had accepted recommendations of a Soviet team of experts for setting up central heavy machine building plant.

The Soviet experts envisaged plant which had a capacity to manufacture 80,000 tons of machinery and equipment annually.

Russia had offered a 600 million rupee credit which the Indian Government had accepted and part of this would be used for the establishment of plant.

The announcement said discussions for a building foundry forge project were going on with Czech, Russian, British and German interests.

"It is likely that the foundry forge project will be finalised with the collaboration of one of these countries" the announcement said.

Development

The announcement said the overall development would cost between eight and nine hundred million rupees, of which 500 million would be foreign exchange.

The whole scheme provided for the following seven main heads: heavy machine building shop, foundry forge, heavy structural shop, plate and vessels shop, heavy machine tool plant, mining machinery and equipment, alloy and tool steel plant.

In connection with the negotiations with the British the announcement said it was understood that Colombo Plan assistance for technical consultative services was likely to be available.—Reuter.

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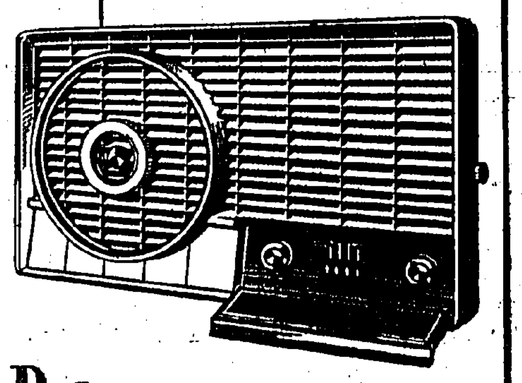

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THE WORLD HEROIN PROBLEM

by Robin Hutcheon

"The solution may lie in licensing addicts and selling heroin much cheaper."

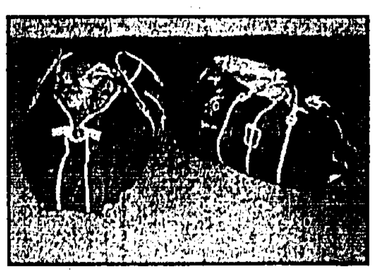
This was the personal opinion of a Government medical officer. He carefully stressed this did not represent Government's view, but was a solution which he and others considered "one answer" to the problem.

"You see, as long as you have a black-market for heroin, the problem of addiction will be present and may even grow.

"In order to increase profits, the black marketeer has to get new addicts.

"Treatment is a very unsound way of dealing with addicts because they go back to heroin as soon as they are released from prison. So the solution will lie in licensing addicts and selling heroin much cheaper.

"Coupled with this you need very much heavier fines for peddlers."



Opium—seized packages.

I asked a Prisons Department doctor what he thought of the idea and he said:

"I don't think it is practical. Supposing you find the numbers of addicts increasing by making it available to a wider market at cheaper prices.

"Here are the pros and cons: Government would have the benefit of knowing how many heroin addicts there were in the Colony exactly.

"If the plan worked, that is if people switched to Government-sold heroin, it might put the traffickers out of business—at least temporarily—until Government decided it was time to reduce addiction and then the peddlers would immediately start flourishing again.

"The worst part about it is that it would put Government into the position of not only legalising heroin traffic, which is opposed by practically every civilised country in the world, but also subsidising it. No, I don't think the answer lies in that direction.

"Difficult as it seems I still think we shall have to stop importations of the drug, somehow. We need more men to search the ships.

"And here is another point: addicts used to get two weeks' gaol for smoking opium. Now the sentence has been raised to two months for smoking heroin.

"I don't think there is any point in sending an addict to prison.

"What we need is a treatment centre. It should be not only responsible for treatment but also rehabilitation. I think this is essential.

"But such a scheme would need the support of Government."

A senior Police officer said:

"This will need a long-term policy. It is a problem that is so vast that it cannot be tackled any other way.

"Admittedly a rehabilitation centre would be a good thing. You notice they have one in Singapore, but their problem is chiefly concerned with opium whereas ours is heroin, which is very different."

And a senior Prisons official:

"The only answer can be found in higher standards of education. What is needed is a combination of preventive measures and a rising standard of living.

"Also some awakening of the conscience of the Chinese people is needed. I don't think we've gone nearly far enough with anti-narcotics propaganda."

And the Social Welfare officer put the problem this way:

"Even if you cure a man, once he is in circulation again the trade will get hold of him and coax him back in again. You see, in a big country he could be helped by going to work in some other area—but you can't do that in Hongkong; it's too small. You can't even send him to an island and put him to work, because no island is far enough away from Hongkong or Kowloon to prevent him from getting back to city surroundings."

This series of articles has been compiled from about 44 pages of notes taken in the course of a fairly exhaustive investigation. But having reached the end of it I am convinced that no one in Hongkong knows the solution to this problem.

Last September, the Civic Association wrote to Government urging the establishment of a rehabilitation centre for drug addicts. As far as I know nothing has been done, possibly because a comprehensive scheme, with the rehabilitation centre as one small part of it, is an obviously preferable objective.

The prevailing low standards of living in this Colony are said to be one of the main reasons why addiction is so high. The high unemployment rate is part of the same problem.

But if falling living standards help to spread addiction, will rising living standards necessarily result in its elimination?

Seized equipment, used to reduce opium to deadly HEROIN.

But most smugglers have better luck.

Even before beginning a hypothetical consideration we must ask what is the economic prospect before us?

At best, a small improvement may take place over the years. Industrial development may absorb some of the unemployed but with the population increasing at more than 70,000 a year (net) the improvement cannot be very great.

The fascination of one of the most trite — but also the most true — remarks made during the course of this investigation beckons:

"If only we could stop heroin and morphine and opium coming in ...."

That is undoubtedly the crux of the problem.

Yet it is one that no Government seems willing to tackle for purely diplomatic reasons. Anyone connected with the traffic of narcotics knows which countries are falling down on the job and no one dares to say it. It may be good diplomacy but it is an awfully high price to pay if in the process the root cause of the drug problem is ignored.

Even the United Nations is not sufficiently specific in apportioning the true weight of the blame for this traffic.

The nail of this problem needs a whack with a pile-driver, not the tap-tap-tap of a toy hammer.

People in America insist that the instigators are China and that Hongkong is the funnel for this trade to the US.

But this is a cheap political jibe without foundation. If heroin, opium or morphine comes across the China border to this Colony, no official here knows about it. But they do know where it is coming from.

As stated at the outset, this is a story that begins far from Hongkong's shores. It is also where this story ends.

It is a nice, round, ranting condemnation with which to end a series on a thoroughly frustrating and apparently insoluble problem — to blame countries far beyond your shores, possibly ineffectually.

There are people here who say that it would need an Army of men to put the Shan poppy estates out of existence.

But if the world heroin problem were treated with the same urgency and tackled with the same determination that the great powers are devoting to the Middle East question, Hongkong and several other countries today might have one major social problem less on their hands.

Unless imports are stopped I am convinced that any step this Government takes to alleviate the plight of addicts can meet with only limited success.

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THE BEST-KEPT SECRET OF THE WAR LEAKS OUT

THE SHIP THAT BLEW UP BOMBAY

This was Colonel Sadler's dilemma: to try to scuttle a burning ammunition ship and lose the £2,000,000 in gold aboard her—or to try to quell the fire before an explosion destroyed the city. He gambled on the fire brigade—and lost.

by Robert J. Edwards

A MONSOON breeze drifted lazily across the great city of Bombay. One mile from the docks an elderly Hindu squatted on the floor of his hovel.

Then came a hot gust of air that touched his face, and with it a blinding light that penetrated the darkest corners of his home. A fearful explosion shook the earth. Perhaps a full minute later a 28lb. gold ingot pierced the tin roof of the Hindu's hovel and landed at his feet.

Secrecy

It was just after four o'clock on the afternoon of April 14, 1944—the moment of one of the greatest disasters of the war. Only fragments of the story have ever been told. Wartime censorship clamped down and hid the ugly scene from the public and the enemy. But now, from a privately circulated American Navy publication* and other sources, a full account can be given of the biggest TNT explosion of all time.

The SS Fort Stikene, a British 7,000-ton freighter built less than a year earlier, lay in Bombay's crowded Victoria and Prince's Docks. Her cargo: dried fish from Hull and Grimsby, 3,000 tons of cotton, 155 gold ingots worth nearly £2,000,000, and 1,700 tons of ammunition and high explosives.

Priority

According to the rules, the ammunition should have been unloaded first. But only the fish would deteriorate throug storage. So the dried fish had the priority.

An Indian docker, reclining against a bale of cotton in No. 2 hold, saw the first hint of the carnage that was to come: a wisp of smoke rising slowly from the centre of the cotton pile. He ran to the deck.

Alarm blasts

At 2.18 p.m. the Fort Stikene's whistle blew a series of short, piercing blasts. Then the whistles of every vessel in the harbour did likewise. It was the sort of cacophony that greets visiting Presidents and the birth of new ships. But dread, not joy, was in every heart. The red flag waving on the Fort Stikene told the story. Ammunition Ship on Fire.

Down to the harbour raced two of the city's fire engines. Streams of water were poured into the hold. Still the fire spread. The port superintendent, Colonel J. R. Sadler, the man in command of the fire-fighting operation, faced a frightful dilemma.

He knew of the 1,700 tons of explosive stowed beneath the cotton. Were all the city's fire appliances, now clanging dockwards through the streets, sufficient to douse the flames?

Or should he order the Fort Etikene's captain to sail his vessel along the tortuous route to the outer harbour and there, in deep water, scuttle her, gold or no gold?

Ship listed

But moving the ship would take her from the fire engines lined up along the quay. Then only the ship's few hoses and steam injectors could be used. And she might explode on her way to the outer harbour.

Colonel Sadler made his decision. The SS Fort Stikene would stay at her mooring.

So the tons of water cascaded into the ship, and she listed heavily under the weight of it. But the smoke grew thicker, blotting out the merciless Indian sun. And the hull of the burning vessel turned red in the heat.

Then the ship went up in a roaring yellow cloud, shooting thousands of feet into the sky. Only her boiler remained whole.

It fell, incredibly, on the tram lines in a street half a mile from the docks.

The rest of the Fort Stikene disintegrated into steel fragments strewn over the harbour and the city. The 18 fire engines and their crews vanished. Not a trace of them remained. Every building within a quarter of a mile was shattered. Fifty warehouses were flattened.

Tidal wave

The damage in the harbour was appalling. A tidal wave swept through the basin, snapping hawsers, and pounding the ships against the quays. Eleven vessels totalling 50,000 tons, were twisted, burned-out wrecks. They were a total loss.

View of the warehouse district soon after the explosion. The smoke cloud was seen to cover the city.

The spreading fire as darkness fell over Bombay.

One 5,000-ton coaster was lifted from the water and flung over the quay, her back broken. Nine other vessels were severely damaged.

The explosion itself killed 900 people. Among them were hundreds of port workers. They had tried to escape—but were held up by a zealous policeman, who insisted they show their passes. Many hundreds more soldiers, sailors and civilians were missing, and 3,000 were injured. But Bombay's trial had only begun.

Flaming debris from the explosion set fire to scores of buildings. Gradually the fires merged into one raging conflagration. Then the conflagration moved northward. The next day a large sector of Bombay seemed doomed.

With the fire brigade obliterated only one way remained to save the city. A path must be cut ahead of the fire too wide for the flames to cross.

Soldiers marched into the chosen area. The inhabitants were ordered to leave. Then sappers and demolition experts blew up their homes and every other building in the vicinity.

Demolition

For a night and a day the demolitions continued. Then at last there was nothing left of the strip but rubble. It was a barrier the flames could not cross. They devoured all that was left to them, and after a fortnight the last embers were extinguished. American experts estimated the damage at a billion dollars.

How much of the gold was recovered has not been revealed. And no one knows for certain whether Colonel Sadler would have saved the city if he had taken the second choice open to him—the deep sea instead of the fire engines. An official inquiry afterwards said he should have chosen the sea.

London Express Service.

*United States Naval Institute Proceedings.

AN END

to Import Forms

By WILLIAM HAMSHER

Bonn.

GERMANS can now order from any firm in the world—in London, New York, Moscow, China or Peru—goods up to the value of £8. 10s. for cash on delivery.

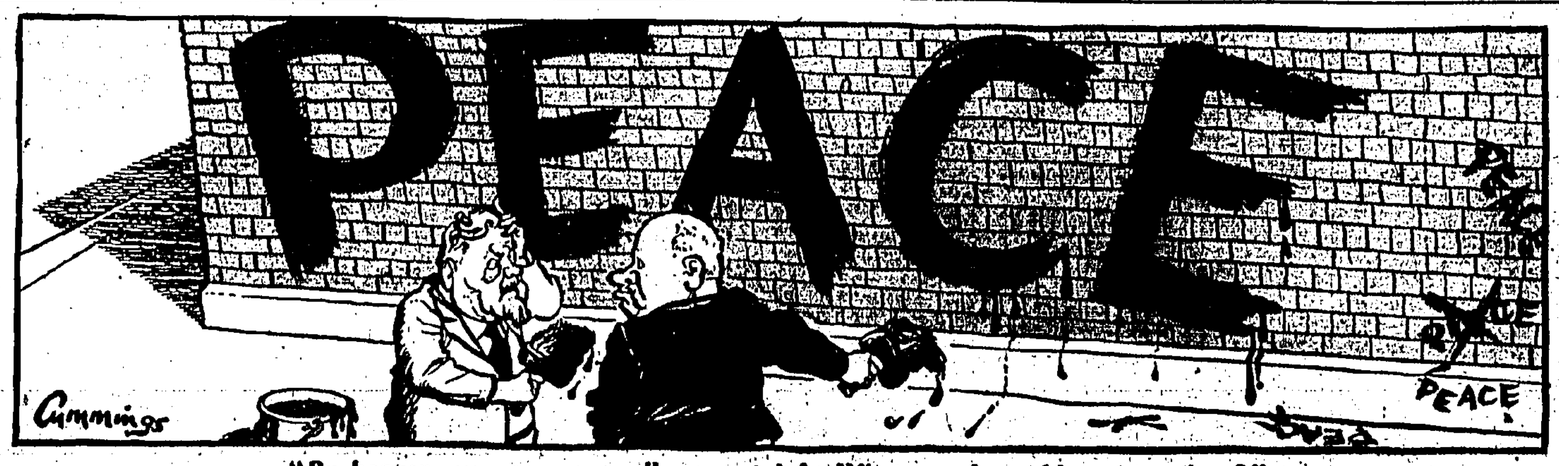
Foreign sellers are offered a German government guarantee that the postman will collect the cash in German currency and that bank machinery will then operate to ensure that he gets paid in his own coin.

It is a pet scheme of Federal Germany's Economics Minister, Professor Ludwig Erhard. He has been pushing it for two years. Now, suddenly, he has obtained Cabinet approval for a tryout — in time, he hopes, to bring down shop-prices in Germany before the election four months from now, and so improve the poll prospects of Chancellor Adenauer's Christian Democrats.

Erhard's advisers argue that if every German, especially the womenfolk can buy jerseys from Bond Street, nylons from New York, perfumes from Paris, shoes from Italy, and coffee, chocolate and tobacco from anybody who sells them, then German purveyors will either have to give better value or cut their prices.

Good money

Theoretically, Germans could already buy anywhere in the world. Their currency is good enough. But, until now, they had to go the long, long bureaucratic way round to do it. First, they had to get an import permit, then fill in a form to buy the foreign currency, and finally tackle all the customs formalities.



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by Beachcomber

AN old sailor said to me once in Mullion: "If a chap wants to be rude, he should be rude in a polite way."

For instance, if you have been bored to tears in some house, and your hostess waits for your thanks as you say goodnight, there is no need to yawn in her face or groan. Imitate the courtliness of Groucho Marx, who once said: "I've had a most delightful evening, but this wasn't it."

Narkover maxims

ONLY those with a low opinion of human nature trouble to distinguish between a present and a bribe.

MONEY talks, and only a fool refuses to listen.

RULES are meant to be kept, which is why we have so few at Narkover.

A FOOTBALL referee is only human—luckily for many a weak team which refuses to be beaten.

GAMBLING will teach a boy more arithmetic than any Senior Wrangler.

HOWEVER much they may bluster, the masters are always outnumbered by the boys.

Stalemate, or rather, meat

"WAITER! This meat is stuck to the plate!"

"Lever it up, sir, with your knife."

"I have. It won't budge."

"It wasn't worth eating, anyway, sir. Let me bring you something else. I will bring it without a plate, to avoid these contretemps. That is to say, if you will not mind just eating it off the table-cloth, which, you will observe, is dirty enough to eat even our food off."

"Well, you can take this meat away."

"Thank you, sir, but I have no use for it."

"Then send me the manager."

"No use, sir. He won't want it, either."

Among the new books

"I NEVER drink anything stronger than kerosene," said the web-footed man.

"Practically a teetotaler," Mavis answered with a glint of malice in her eye.

"It is hereditary," commented Dr Moumsen.

"What is?" queried Commodore Hoofe. "The drink or the webbed feet?"

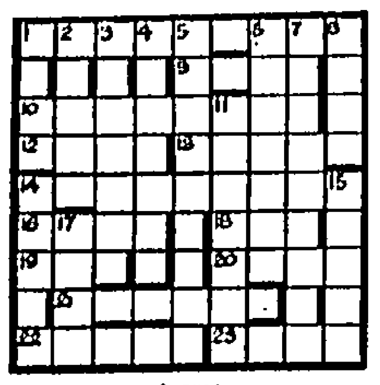
"Probably both," said a shy girl next to him.

(From "The Earthly Quest" by Rhoda Horsey.)

In passing

I DO not take seriously the suggestion that cricket on skates would necessarily brighten up the game, unless, of course, it was played on horseback, with the horses wearing the skates. What is really killing county cricket is the terror of being beaten. What is wanted is a Jessop or a Kenneth Hutchings, and a great jamboree of slogging, instead of a lot of piffling, niminy-piminy, milksop strokemaking. As my Italian coach used to say to me: "Hit the ball hard and often, and to the devil with all these mincing, ballet-dancing antics at the wicket."

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Nice Sutro makes United Nations. (9)
9. Seamanlike drinks. (4)
10. Big drops of water. (8)
12. You don't return dead from this. (4)
13. Docs with half a horse inside (5)
14. About a Scottish river with a Chinese family following. (9)
16. Smart fellow . . (4)
18. . . and a busy one. (3)
19. Deceiving fish. (3)
20. Boy who makes a line. (4)
21. Charts a different way. (6)
22. It's found in every shop. (5)
23. They go into an island pie (4)

Down

1. Good form for trigonometrists (4)
2. Good name for an oil-king's daughter? (5)
3. No help. (7)
4. Funny, the more you develop this, the more you leave things alone. (7)
5. Does it follow the flag too? (5-4)
6. Just fancy. (7)
7. It's necessary. (9)
8. They all add up. (4)
11. It's a love story in any language. (7)
14. There are prizes for the winners. (5)
15. Those breathing outfits sound very fishy! (5)
17. Miss Laski's little boy. (4)

F	R	E	L	S	T	O	N	E
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Yesterday's solution

•JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Expert Avoids Unmakable Bid

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHILE Edgar Kaplan was winning the Life Master's Individual, Phillip Feldesman of New York was romping off with the Senior Master's event.

In today's hand Phil exercised admirable self-restraint and stayed out of an unmakable grand slam.

When North responded to Phil's opening heart bid with a jump to three clubs, Phil hoped for a grand slam and robid three diamonds as a starter in that direction.

North's second jump to four hearts did nothing to discourage

NORTH 18
♠ 2
♥ A Q 7 C 5 3
♦ K J
♣ Q J 6 4

WEST
♠ A 10 9 7 6
♥ 10
♦ Q 8 3 2
♣ 10 8 2

EAST
♠ K J 8 5 4 3
♥ 4
♦ 9 7 5 4
♣ 7 3

SOUTH (D)
♠ Q
♥ K J 9 8 2
♦ A 10 6
♣ A K 9 5

East and West vulnerable

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	6 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead—♠ A

him and Phil decided on a bid of five clubs rather than a Black-wood four no-trump.

North continued his jumping tactics with a leap to six hearts and Phil had almost bid the grand slam when he stopped for a little thought.

The substance of his thought was: where is the ace of spades? His partner ought to hold that card for his bidding but if he did hold it Phil had given him an excellent chance to show it.

Of course the event was an individual and Phil had never seen his partner before. He therefore decided to take the sure thing and passed.

It was just as well, because West opened the ace of spades.

Incidentally, while we are on the subject of grand slams, I have a pretty good rule for my own grand-slam bidding. I bid them when they appear to be certain but I never worry about missing one. A successful small slam will do for everyday bridge.

♥♣CARD Sense♠♦

Q—The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1 ♣	1 ♥	?	

You, South, hold:
♠7 3 ♥8 5 4 ♦A K 6 3 2 ♣K 9 8
What do you do?

A—Bid two clubs. If your partner can't find another bid you are in a good spot.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠7 3 ♥K 5 4 ♦A K 6 3 2 ♣K 9 8
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

TARGET

C	T	O
E	Y	S
N	A	P

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word, the letters in each of the small squares may be used once only. Each word *must* contain the large letter in the centre square, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 21 words, *good*. 27 words, *very good*; 35 words, *excellent*. Solution tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Dele delese dome doem does doum douse dusel idol lode loam loomed loose losed lose loud louse ludo MELODIOUS mede medel medule moll molled mole mood mosed moses mould mouse odeum odious odium oiled olid olio ousel seldom silo sled sodium soil soiled sold sole soled solid solo some soul.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ....By STELLA

FRIDAY, MAY 10

BORN today, you are extremely versatile and have the faculty of being able to do many things all at one and the same time. In fact, you are often up to your ears in so many projects that you are not always sure how to fit everything in and get it done on time. This can lead to a difficult time, for you will try anything once, whether or not you have had any particular experience in the field or not. You have good judgment and a clear head and often work best in the midst of a crisis. This is fortunate, for any day can be a crisis with you!

You appear to be very easy going and enjoy activity of all kinds. You are never happy unless you're busy, busy, busy! You enjoy travel and probably will want to visit the far places of the earth during your lifetime. You would do well to select as your career something which takes you on the road. It is doubtful if you would be contented to "stay put" in any one place for very long.

You are popular with members of the opposite sex, and when you wed, make sure that you select someone who enjoys the same kind of a life as you do or there can be conflict. You have an affectionate, loving and demonstrative nature and will want someone who will reciprocate in kind.

You have a keen sense of humour and the happy faculty of being able to imitate the foibles of others good naturedly, without hurting their feelings. This gift might lead you to a career on the stage. Advertising, public relations and newspaper work are other areas in which you might easily become outstanding.

Among those born on this date were: James Gordon Bennett, newspaper owner; Curtis Dwight Wilbur, statesman; Kaufmann Kohler, noted theologian; William R. Grace, ship magnate, and Fred Astaire, actor and dancer.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, MAY 11

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Emphasise the friendly, social aspects of this day. If the weather is fine, enjoy recreation in the out-of-doors.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—There may be friction on the home front this morning, but your native diplomacy and tact can straighten things out.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Stick closely to routine today and rest up from the exceptional activity of the past few days. Relax tensions.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Continue yesterday's advances into this day and make it a two-day double for luck! You can prosper now.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Tensions may arise in connection with your weekend plans for social activity. Be tactful but do what you want to most!

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Another banner day for your efforts. Combine social and business activities to the benefit of both. Rise and shine!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Morning hours are troublesome, so take things cautiously and be as tactful as you can with a very close friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—A short trip to visit close friends or relatives might be in order. Give you a country week-end perhaps?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Might invite the boss to dinner some time during this week-end. Business and social relations can be improved.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Cultural interests can bring pleasure. Join friends in some affair in which all are mutually interested.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Outside influences may have more bearing upon today's results than you had imagined. Make a wise decision.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Perhaps an art exhibit, a concert or a lecture will bring you into social contact with those who can help you in your career.

This Funny World

"Are you sure we're flying right side up?"

WOMANSENSE

Designed for the beach, "Canaries" is a cotton playsuit comprising a figure-moulding top with scooped-out neckline and shorts with patch pockets. The sun bonnet is of the same material. From Nina Ricci. — Agence France-Presse.

Tips To Reduce Tension

By W. W. BAUER, M.D.

FROM the *Journal of the National Education Association* come tips which are intended to reduce teacher tension, but which are just as good for mothers, fathers or anybody else exposed to the small fry and to life's troubles, big as well as little.

When something worries you "Don't bury it." Talk it over with someone whose good sense and level-headed judgment you can trust—husband, wife, friend, minister, principal, teacher, or nurse. A physician makes an excellent confidant. Talking it out helps relieve the strain and brings two minds to bear on a problem instead of one.

On those inevitable days when work seems to pile up faster than it can be tackled, it often helps to remind oneself that this cannot go on forever. In the meantime, pick out a reasonable load of work for the day, put the rest aside and forget it. Tackle the tasks that have been assigned for the day and do the best you can with them. Nobody can ask more.

PROPER BALANCE

Too many people are worried about perfection. Whether in teaching, housework, office work, professional practice, or any other line, "perfectionism" leads to frustration, anxieties and a defeat of the objective sought. The best way to approach perfection is to do the best you can with the task at hand.

When things go wrong, somebody usually comes along and makes an uncalled-for remark, plays a silly practical joke or otherwise "gets in your hair." The temptation is to fly into a tantrum. If at such times you can laugh, you will be much better off and the tension will be eased all around.

There are times, however, when it makes no sense to endure something that you can get away from. If a situation anywhere becomes intolerably tense, it sometimes helps to get away from it. Take a short absence from the desk or wherever you happen to be. If at home, put on a hat and coat and walk to the nearest postbox even if you have no letters to post. Or just walk around the block. From an office desk, take a coffee break or other brief interlude. Break the routine and do not force yourself needlessly to take irritations which can be avoided.

Most of us at times feel that we are being left out of things. We don't get the committee chairmanship or the place on the programme which we thought was rightfully ours. Somebody has a party and does not invite us. A dear friend overlooks a Christmas greeting or a birthday card or forgets about an anniversary. Somebody stands us up on a date. These usually are not intentional slights and should not be so regarded.

SANE ACCEPTANCE

The best response is a realisation that you cannot be in everything and that perhaps there was good reason why someone else was chosen instead of you for these particular situations. Keep yourself available and meet people pleasantly and you will get your share of engagements. When you are alone, take advantage of it; everyone needs to be alone from time to time.

Everyone must learn to accept that he can't always be first in everything. There are inevitably some people in the world who can do better. Useless competition for priorities can only create fear, hostility, opposition, suspicion, and more and more tension.

COMMON CAUSE

Driving oneself too hard is a common cause of tension. Each of us must choose what he can do within his capabilities and his limitations of time and strength.

One tense, frustrated, irritable, anxious person with hair-trigger feelings and explosive temper as a result of tension, can disrupt the entire atmosphere in home, school, office, factory, or group. Each of us owes an obligation, not only to himself but also to others, to hold down and to avoid to the greatest possible extent all causes of tension. The tips here briefly suggested may be helpful.

FASHIONETTES

Foot comfort note...one shoe designer says the larger foot is the newest style. The size six-B and up will be the style ideal of shoe fashions for the next 10 years, said designer Josephi of Delman. "The fashionable woman with a naturally small foot will try to conceal it by wearing shoes with greatly extended toes, in large-patterned materials and with built-up fronts." He said the tiny foot is as out of place with 1957 clothes as the wasp waist, the bustle, and the rosebud mouth.

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The spectator shoe returns to fashion for summer, and in many variations. The classic spectator is in brown or black and white. But the Leather Industries of America reported that new shades of beige, such as flax, nougat, and sandbark, are being combined with white. Other combinations include white with pastels, such as primrose yellow, mauve and grey.

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The circus is coming to fashion, in sportswear. Several manufacturers turn to the big top for inspiration. One outfit, called "be a clown" features narrow white cotton satin twill pants, topped with a red and white striped, tent top.—United Press.

Heart-shaped Cakes For Shower Parties

By ALICE DENHOFF

HEARTS and Flowers is the theme for this time of year as engagements are announced and shower parties planned. A heart-shaped cake surely deserves a place of honour at such festive gatherings.

For example, bright red maraschino cherries add the right bit of colour and impart an elegant and delicate flavour to a Maraschino Cherry Heart.

To serve 6, separate 4 eggs. Beat whites until frothy. Add ¼ tsp. cream of tartar. Gradually add 1½ c. sugar, beating constantly, until very stiff.

Line baking sheets with well-greased brown paper. Spread egg white mixture into 4 heart shapes on paper. Sprinkle with ½ c. finely chopped walnuts. Bake in very slow oven, 270° F., 1 hr. Remove carefully from paper with a spatula and cool thoroughly.

Meanwhile, beat egg yolks until thick and lemon-coloured. Gradually add 1/3 c. sugar, ¼ c. lemon juice, 2 tsp. grated lemon rind and ⅛ tsp. salt. Cook over boiling water, stirring constantly until thickened. Cool thoroughly.

Spread lemon filling over three heart-shaped layers and top with 2/3 c. chopped maraschino cherries, well drained (about 25 cherries). Put layers together and top with remaining layer. Garnish with 1 c. heavy cream, whipped, and whole, drained maraschino cherries, artistically arranged. Chill before serving.

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Next, a delicious cream cake, the recipe for a 9-inch layer cake.

Sift 2 c. sifted, all-purpose flour, 1½ c. sugar, 2 tsp. baking powder and ½ tsp. salt together. Add ½ c. chopped, drained maraschino cherries. Mix well.

Beat 3 eggs until very thick. Fold into 1½ c. heavy cream, whipped. Gradually fold in flour mixture and blend in tsp. vanilla. Turn into 2 greased and floured 9-in. layer cake pans. Bake at 350° F. 35 to 40 min., or until cake tests done. Cool 10 min. Remove from pans and cool thoroughly.

Frost and decorate with hearts and arrows made of maraschino cherry slices and strips.

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For something less rich but very good, try this specialty. Dissolve a 3-oz. pkg. lemon-flavoured gelatin in 1 c. boiling water. Add ¼ c. maraschino cherry juice and ½ c. drained, chopped maraschino cherries. Chill until slightly thickened, stirring constantly. Fold in 1¼ c. whipped instant nonfat milk crystals. Turn into 1-qt. mould (heart-shaped for special occasion) and chill until firm.

To whip the instant nonfat dry milk crystals, mix ¼ c. instant nonfat dry milk powder with ¼ c. ice water. Whip until soft peaks form (3 to 4 min.). Add tbsp. lemon juice. Continue beating until stiff peaks form (3 to 4 min. longer).

HOUSEHOLD HINT

Garments made of such fabrics as nylon, orlon and dacron tend to pick up colour from other garments in the same wash. Even coloured labels should be removed before putting in a white wash.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Down At The Brook

—Chirpie's Adventures on His "Twig Ride"—

By MAX TRELL

CHIRPIE Sparrow came to the window sill for his morning bread crumbs. He had hardly started eating when Knarf, the shadowboy with the turned-about name, came to the window to greet him.

"I'm feeling fine," chirped Chirpie. "The top of the morning to you, my friend."

"The top of the morning to you, Chirpie," said Knarf. "Have you any news?"

Boat Ride

"Just a bit of this and just a bit of that," replied Chirpie between swallows. "I took a boat ride this morning."

"Where did you take a boat ride?" asked Knarf.

"Down at the brook," said Chirpie. "It wasn't much of a boat, come to think of it. I'm wrong in calling it a boat ride. I ought to call it a twig ride. And incidentally, I saved the life of a little fish.

"These are lovely crumbs you left me this morning. Thank you very much."

"Here!" said Knarf. "Don't go away, Chirpie! I want to hear more about that twig ride you took and about that little fish."

So Chirpie, after eating the last of the crumbs, made himself comfortable at the edge of the window sill and said: "I was flying over the brook, looking for something to eat—which is pretty much what I'm always looking for—when, all at once, I noticed a twig floating by. So I decided to take a twig ride.

"Well," continued Chirpie, "the brook rippled along merrily and the twig twirled and swirled and shot over ledges and drifted over dark pools where sharp little eyes gazed up at me from the bottom. The little eyes were curious. I looked down and saw a school of little minnows.

"'Hello, minnows!' I called down to them. 'Do you want to take a ride with me on my boat?'

"The minnows swam up a little closer. They had silvery bodies. One of them wagged his tail and said: 'We'd love to take a ride on your boat.

"'Only we aren't allowed to leave the water,' answered several of the others. 'It's bad for minnows to leave the water.'

"'That's right,' I said. 'You stay right where you are.'

"'But we'd like to go with you just the same. Do you mind if we follow you for a little ways?'

'I didn't mind at all. But I said: 'Now don't get lost. Your mother will worry if you go too far away. You can follow me as far as the willow tree at the bend in the brook.'

"We reached the willow tree in a moment or two. Beyond that there were rocks and ledges where the water ran swiftly. It frothed and bubbled and turned and tumbled. It was white. The moss on the rocks was dripping.

Not Afraid

"'Go back....go back!' I shouted to the minnows.

"They all went back—all but the one brave little minnow who said: 'I'm not afraid to go past those rocks. I'm not afraid of anything!'

"'You'll be sorry,' I called down to him as the twig boat shot forward.

"It was too late for the minnow to stop. It was too late for the twig boat to stop, too," said Chirpie. "And the next moment two things happened.

"A long lean hungry pickerel, who was waiting under one of the ledges for his dinner to come along—and he liked minnow best of all for dinner—darted out like a flash at the poor little fish. The second thing that happened was that the twig boat tipped over.

"It was lucky for the minnow that the boat did tip over," Chirpie said. "For the pickerel got frightened and scooted away—he thought it was a bigger fish coming to eat him and minnow darted back to the head of the brook where he was safe."

Chirpie sailed off on a twig.

Rupert and the Rolling Ball—2

Rupert greets his pal Willie. "Where are all the others?" he asks. "I've brought my new ball and it'll need several of us to have a proper game of football." "I think I heard Bill and Podgy on the other side of the hill," says Willie. "Let's go and find them."

They take turns kicking the ball up the slope and do not notice a tall stranger quietly watching them from behind a tree until his cough makes them jump. "Good morning, young friends," he says. "I wonder if I may have a word with you?"

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A RACE TO REMEMBER

TRAGEDY AT EPSOM AND AN UNPOPULAR DECISION

By—PERCY RUDD

Tragedy stalked across Epsom Downs on June 4, 1913. A woman mortally injured; the King's horse brought down and his jockey wounded and unconscious; the Derby winner disqualified after the "All right" signal has been hoisted, on an objection lodged by the stewards; and the race awarded to a 100-1 chance. All these events combined to make an astonishing and unforgetable race.

The woman, Miss Emily Davidson, a militant suffragette, was the first to intrude on the normal course of the race. She went under the rails into the midst of the galloping horses as they turned round Tattenham Corner into the straight.

Walter Earl, who was riding Agadir, saw her under the head of his mount and the next second Anmer, the King's horse, had struck her and was down. Herbert Jones, Anmer's jockey, and the woman lay prone while the rest of the field galloped over and by them.

Jones was cut in the face and badly shaken; Miss Davision died for "the cause." She was a Bachelor of Arts of London University who had undergone eight terms of imprisonment for such offences as setting fire to pillar-boxes, breaking windows in the House of Commons and assaulting a Baptist Minister in mistake for Mr Lloyd George.

The horses principally concerned in the debacle which followed the finish of the race were Craganour and Aboyeur, both, strangely enough, sons of the same sire, Desmond. The judge's verdict was that Craganour had won by a head.

Bookmakers wryly began to count their losses, for Craganour had been heavily backed and the starting price was 7-4. The jockeys weighed in and minutes passed, but still the first three remained in the unsaddling enclosure waiting for the signal that they might be led away.

A SHARP ORDER

Suddenly the cry "All right" went up and Craganour was led out to the course. But a sharp order brought him back and the red flag, signifying that an objection had been lodged, was hoisted by the side of the number board. The flag had been fluttering for half an hour before the fatal words "objection sustained" appeared in the frame.

Mr Bower Ismay, the wealthy shipowner who derived his riches from the White Star Line, must have thought the Fates were leagued against him that year. Nearly everyone who a month before had watched the Two Thousand Guineas thought that Craganour had won that race for him, but Louvois got the verdict by a head.

The horses were racing on opposite sides of the wide course and there is no doubt that Saxby, Craganour's jockey, was amazed when he learnt he had been beaten. He could have won beyond doubt if he had realised the danger.

ROUGH RIDING

On the Downs public opinion was on the side of Mr Ismay for this Derby decision. There was undoubtedly more than a little rough riding in the last furlong, but most people thought that Aboyeur started it by coming away from the rails and leaning against Craganour.

Aboyeur was owned by Mr A. P. Cunliffe, who, in association with Mr Wilfred Purefoy at Druid's Lodge, controlled one of the biggest betting stables in the country. The critics of the disqualification argued that these were not the people to miss any reasonable chance of getting a race—and particularly a race like the Derby—on an objection.

Mr Purefoy had £10 on Aboyeur at the starting price of 100-1 and no doubt the jockey, Piper, was consulted about what had happened. But no objection came from Piper or any other rider.

It was the local stewards who, making use of powers not long before conferred, lodged the objection and who later announced their decision that "Craganour did not keep a straight course and interfered with Shogun, Day Comet and Aboyeur. Having bumped and bored the second horse, they disqualified Craganour and awarded the race to Aboyeur."

The decision was naturally unpopular. It was made by men of unquestioned integrity, high up in the Jockey Club hierarchy, — Lord Rosebery (father of the present Earl), Lord Wolverton and Major Eustace Loder—who had seen something wrong and did not shrink from the performance of an unpleasant task.

But they were prosecutors, as well as judges, and there was a feeling among those who disagreed with them that some of the evidence they listened to might have been tainted.

UNFAIRLY TREATED

Resentment against the Craganour stable had persisted among a section of the jockeys because of the dropping of the pilot. After the Guineas Saxby never rode the horse again. A fortnight later Danny Maher was put on him in the Newmarket Stakes and this time Craganour beat Louvois pointless.

Other jockeys thought Saxby had been unfairly treated and when, Maher being unavailable, another American, Johnny Reiff, was brought over from France to ride Craganour in the Derby their annoyance was increased.

With such a grievance in the background there was the possibility of the scales in the objection room having been heavily loaded against the favourite.

But, whatever the justice or injustice of the decision, there can be little doubt that Craganour, who never ran again, was the best three-year-old of the season.

Bower Ismay, suffering under the bitter blows that Fate had dealt him, could not bear to keep his horse. He sold Craganour to a stud in the Argentine for £30,000—a big price in those days—and he was a conspicuous success as a sire.

As for Mr Ismay, he joined a cavalry regiment soon after the outbreak of the first World War in the following year and died not long after its conclusion from the effects of sleeping sickness.

MINOR MEMBERS

The bookmakers — except those minor members of the fraternity "on The Hill" who paid out after the "All right" had been signalled—were really the only people wholly satisfied by Craganour's disqualification. It certainly saved them a lot of money.

One professional backer stood to win £30,000 over the favourite. But, as befits a canny Yorkshireman, he dashed into the ring as soon as the objection flag was hoisted and hedged most of his bets by backing Aboyeur.

CREPELLO WINS GUINEAS STAKES

Shown here is the exciting finish to the 2,000 Guineas Stakes at Newmarket on May 1 with Sir Victor Sassoon's Crepello, ridden by Lester Piggot (No. 19), winning the race by half a length from Mr T. H. Farr's Quorum, ridden by A. Russell. Third only a head away is Mr Stavros Niarchos's Pipe of Peace (No. 14) ridden by A. Breasley.—Reuterphoto.

Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

It's Derby Day tomorrow. The Blue Riband Classic of the local turf, the Hongkong Derby, a race over one and one half miles for this year's Subscription ponies, will be run at 3.30 p.m. On the Derby hinges a fortune, the fortunate winner of which will be the person who holds the ticket which draws the winning pony, as there is a mammoth Cash Sweep on the race.

The event, feature of the second and concluding day of the Twelfth Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

There are only two more race meetings — the one tomorrow and another on Saturday, May 25.

The Hongkong Derby will be but one of 10 events in tomorrow's programme.

The First Saddling Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m, with the first race starting at 2.00 p.m. sharp.

Here are my estimates of the chances:—

FIRST RACE

(Talokiaui Handicap: From 2 Mile Post)

The opening event is confined to Class 9 ponies, I think Green Velvet (K. Kwok) has advanced in condition to be a menace to the best in this race.

Without doubt major contention should come from C'est Si Bon (Robert Tsai), who at 148 lbs., will take a lot of beating. Blossom Time (C. W. Wong) has been doing good early morning track work lately and its chances of scoring here are rather bright. Other dangerous opponents are V. I. P. (Andrew Lam) and Aces High (M. Samarcq).

SECOND RACE

(Matauchung Handicap: From 1½ Mile Post)

Santa Claus (W. R. Holman) has impressed in its morning gallops to warrant consideration in this sprint race and is knocking at the door of success. Silver Dahlia's chances here are good and if E. S. Wong can handle this animal well enough it should figure prominently at the finish. Another pony which has attracted some attention during morning gallops is Sultan (C. E. Hulse). King Rider (Starr Liu) and May Blossom (M. Samarcq) have outside chances to score.

THIRD RACE

(Mongkok Handicap (First Section):—One Mile)

Sunstreak, with Lam Kingtak up, has the distance, weight, combination and class all in his favour and should have no difficulty in winning in this crowd. Fleetfoot (H. K. Hung) and Hurry On (E. S. Wong) are good enough to offer certain opposition in case this bay gelding falters. Mineola (A. Ostroumoff) and Winnie (Travert) have some chance here.

FOURTH RACE

(Hongkong Derby: 1½ Miles)

There will only be four starters in this classic of classics and apparently the issue will be between Whirlaway (H. K. Chuang), Magic Eyes (Alex Lam), No Surprise (Robert Tsai) and Golden Nugget (Allan Chan). With two scintillating victories to its credit, Mr & Mrs T. S. Figh's bay mare entry has unquestionably become the unanimous choice to win the classic and so far its challengers have not shown enough stuff to suggest some hints of putting up a real fight.

Magic Eyes has proven that it can sure travel, and, preferably over long distances and it has some rosy prospect of taking the second place. For the third position No Surprise and Golden Nugget should fight out the issue.

FIFTH RACE

(Pokfulam Handicap (Second Section): From 1½ Mile Post)

Good Condition (Horace Chan) is showing top form and should be a firm favourite. Ponies ready to offer opposition are Hammer Mill (Kwok) and Hallmark (M. Samarcq) who have shown much promise in their morning gallops. Should Jip On (C. L. Liu) get off to a good start, the pony has all the speed to score here.

SIXTH RACE

(Mataukok Handicap (First Section):—Six Furlongs)

Beautiful Phoenix (H. K. Hung) has displayed its speedy qualities on several occasions now, but can its rider get it off to a flying start tomorrow? If he can do that, the pony should stand a very good chance of winning, but Peach Blossom (Chun Kit) has been showing good form during morning workouts and is a source of danger. Supreme Command (Chen Poo) enjoys going over this route and may upset, while Hylamon (Robert Tsai) has been steadily improving in form and will be worth following as an outsider.

SEVENTH RACE

(Hok-Un Handicap: From 2 Mile Post)

Tumbleweed (K. Kwok) and Tamerlane (W. P. K. Ling) should fight out the finish in this race. Good Girl (Sonny Shum) has shown good form in morning training and should do well if properly handled on the way. Gay Sire (Allan Chan) is also ready to take on the best here and should not be ignored.

EIGHTH RACE

(Mataukok Handicap (Second Section):—5½ Furlongs)

A stiff fight among All Gay (E. S. Wong), Full Ahead (K. Kwok) and Ecstasy (P. Y. T. Wei) is anticipated in this sprint race and the issue of the eventual outcome cannot be predicted until the last yard of ground has been covered. Fighting Spirit (Sonny Shum) has come down one class and with 159 lbs less 7 lbs allowance for a Novice jockey may surprise all calculations over this distance.

NINTH RACE

(Mongkok Handicap (Second Section):—One Mile)

Recently promoted two classes Million Dollar (C. F. Ng) is confident of doing well to repeat its feat achieved at the last meeting. Another Victory (H. H. Chan) which disappointed at the last two meetings, should go all out here to redeem itself. High Speed (K. F. Chiu) and Encore (Robert Tsai) are both in good condition and either one of them is able to spring out here. Kerrera (K. Kwok) proved a great disappointment at the last meeting with M. Samarcq up, and I believe it will start with much longer odds this time.

TENTH RACE

(Tunglowan Handicap: Six Furlongs)

This is the final race of the meeting and is confined to Class 3 ponies. Tom Thumb (M. Samarcq) has shown top form in its morning workouts and is strongly favoured to win here. Never Mind (E. S. Wong) is in fine condition and should offer strong opposition. A consistent good worker is Easy Win (Robert Tsai) which should earn at least a place. Santa Maria (Alex Lam) has trained well and is a good outsider. One of the ponies on edge is Beautiful Lie (C. W. Wong) and it will come as little surprise if this game animal will cause an upset.

ITALIAN TENNIS TOURNEY

Mexican Girl Upsets Miss Darlene Hard To Enter Quarter-Finals

Rome, May 9.

Miss Rose Marin Reyes, of Mexico, provided an upset in the Italian International Lawn Tennis Championships today when she eliminated fourth seeded Miss Darlene Hard, of the United States.

Miss Reyes won their third round match 6-3, 6-3 to reach the quarter-finals. Others to enter the last eight included top seeded Miss Shirley Bloomer, of Britain, Mrs Thelma Long, Australia, Mrs Dorothy Knode, USA, and the Italian Champion, Miss Silvana Lazzarino.

Pierre Darmon, the young French Davis Cup player, put up a good performance in the third round of the Men's Singles by beating Abe Segal, experienced South African international.

Darmon rushing the net at every opportunity, won 6-2, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3 to reach the quarter-final, Australian left-hander Mervyn Rose beat Orlando Sirola, giant Italian Davis Cup player, 9-7, 6-4 and 6-0.

Top seeded Lew Hoad, Australia's Wimbledon Champion, was taken to five sets by Robert Haillet, of France, before winning through to the quarter-finals of the Men's Singles.

WELL BELOW FORM

Playing well below form and making countless errors, Hoad finally beat the French Davis Cup player 8-6, 6-4, 9-7, 6-7 and 6-2.

The French pair Paul Remy and Jean Molinari brought off the second upset of the day when they beat the Australian seeded pair Ashley Cooper and Bob Howe to reach the quarter-finals of the Men's Doubles.

Remy and Molinari won 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

Other quarter-finalists are Luis Ayala (Chile) and Hugh Stewart (USA) who beat the Mexican pair Antonio Palafox and Esteban Reyes 6-3, 6-2, 6-0. —Reuter.

Newmarket Stakes Final Acceptors

London, May 9.

Eleven final acceptors for the Newmarket Stakes for three-year-olds, to be run over one mile and a quarter at Newmarket on Wednesday, May 15, are:

Albergo, Eudaemon, Tempest, Sun Charger, Barons Folly, Ocean Supreme, Bellborough, Objective, Pharry, Arctic Flower and Daily Task. All carry nine stone.—China Mail Special.

HOME SOCCER

London, May 9.

Ards beat Bangor by four goals to nil in an Irish League City Cup match at Bangor tonight.—Reuter.

Perez-Martin World Title Fight In October?

Buenos Aires, May 9.

World Flyweight Champion, Pascual Perez will probably meet Spain's Young Martin for the world title in October or November, Perez's manager, Lazaro Kocl, said today.

Kocl denied reports that a fight between Perez and Martin had been signed for October 10. He said this was totally premature since negotiations for a title fight had only just begun.

Kocl said that Perez would probably fight in a non-title bout in Madison Square Garden, New York, in July.

Charles Johnston, American fight promoter, had proposed a fight in New York, said Kocl, and he added that he was seriously considering it.—France-Presse.

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Probable Starters, Weights & Riders

Probable starters, weights and riders for tomorrow's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

2.00 p.m. Race 1 TAIKOKTSUI HANDICAP. 1 Mile 171 Yards. Class 9.

031 Green Velvet (Tokmokoff) ..... 159 lbs. Kwok.
200 Blossom Time (Sofronoff) ..... 155 lbs. C. W. Wong.
420 Happy Warrior (Leskoff) 150 lbs. Alex Lam.
042 V.I.P. (Rodney) ..... 150 lbs. Andrew Lam.
120 C'est Si Bon (Rodney) 148 lbs. Tsai.
002 Desert Gold (Lun) ....*147 lbs. Andrew Chan.
420 Many Returns (Noodt) 146 lbs. Chuang.
200 Isis (Pereboeff) .....*142 lbs. Ringo Lai.
000 Ares High (Leskoff) ... 141 lbs. Samarcq.
004 Barometer (Lun) ..... 141 lbs. E. S. Wong.
030 Festival View (Lun) .. 139 lbs. Botelho.
000 Senorita (Krasnoperoff) 135 lbs. Allan Chan.

Possible Acceptors: Ironside, Sky Horse, Zerlmar, Evergreen.

2.30 p.m. Race 2 MATAUCHUNG HANDICAP. ½ Mile 170 Yards. Class 7.

100 Silver Dahlia (Pereboeff) 159 lbs. E. S. Wong.
400 Air Power (Tokmokoff) 155 lbs. Kwok.
003 Santa Claus (Lin) ..... 153 lbs. Holman.
302 King Rider (Tokmokoff) 151 lbs. Starr Liu.
000 Mathsaill II (Rodney) .. 151 lbs. Travert.
203 Emperor Delight (Noodt) 149 lbs. C. L. Liu.
004 Sultan (S. H. Wong) ..*149 lbs. Hulse.
020 Chekupum (Metrevelli) 146 lbs. Alex Lam.
000 Tell-me-more (A. S. Wong) ..... 146 lbs. Tsai.
021 May Blossom (Noodt) 142 lbs. Samarcq.
104 Strathpeffer (Rodney) .. 141 lbs. Andrew Lam.
000 Calypso (Rodney) ..... 140 lbs. Allan Chan.
400 Comet (Pereboeff) ..... 140 lbs. Chun Kit.
000 Rebel II (S. H. Wong) 136 lbs. H. H. Chan.

3.00 p.m. Race 3 MONGKOK HANDICAP (1st Section). 1 Mile. Class 8.

030 Jetfield (Metrevelli) ... 159 lbs. Alex Lam.
002 Sunstreak (Chew) .....*151 lbs. K. T. Lam.
000 Easy Money (Sofronoff) 149 lbs. C. W. Wong.
083 Hurry On (Lin) ..... 149 lbs. E. S. Wong.
--2 Expectation (Metrevelli) 146 lbs. Shieh.
004 Precious Mine (Tokmokoff) ..... 140 lbs. Holman.
-00 Winnie (Chiang) ..... 140 lbs. Travert.
000 Miracle (Tokmokoff) ... 140 lbs. Starr Liu.
--- Gallant Captain (Noodt) 145 lbs. Ng.
042 Fleetfoot (Sofronoff) ... 142 lbs. Hung.
300 Mineola (Pereboeff) ... 140 lbs. Ostroumoff.
000 Good News (Rodney) ..*139 lbs. C. L. Tel.
000 Lantern Parade (Tokmokoff) ..... 137 lbs. Wei.
000 Janta Bid (Tokmokoff)*133 lbs. Dau.

Possible Acceptors: Every Day, Amethyst.

3.30 p.m. Race 4 HONGKONG DERBY. 1½ Miles. 1957 Ponies.

-03 Cherry Pie (S.H. Wong) 147 lbs. Samarcq.
223 Golden Nugget (Krasnoperoff) ..... Allan Chan.
121 Magic Eyes (Sofronoff) 147 lbs. Alex Lam.
-34 No Surprise (S.H. Wong) 147 lbs. Tsai.
132 Serbu (Tokmokoff) .... 147 lbs. Kwok.
-11 Whirlaway (Krasnoperoff) ..... 147 lbs. Chuang.

Possible Acceptors: Butterfly, Golden City, Jake.

4.00 p.m. Race 5 POKFULAM HANDICAP (2nd Section). ½ Mile 170 Yards. Class 5.

012 Hammer Mill (Tokmokoff) ..... 159 lbs. Kwok.
001 Diana (Metrevelli) ....*144 lbs. Hulse.
-43 Hongkong Diamond (Noodt) ..... 141 lbs. Chuang.
000 Santa Maria (Metrevelli) 140 lbs. Alex Lam.
000 Beautiful Lie (A. S. Wong) ..... 137 lbs. C. W. Wong.
002 Burning Arrow (Chew) 136 lbs. C. L. Liu.

Possible Acceptors: Rainbow, American Carrot, the Cherub.

* Jockey Allowance Claimed.

4.30 p.m. Race 6 MATAUKOK HANDICAP (1st Section)) 6 Furlongs. Class 4.

000 Beat That (Rodney) .. 152 lbs. Andrew Lam.
020 First Edition (Belokopitoff) ..... 149 lbs. Samarcq.
000 After Dark (Tokmokoff) 145 lbs. Kwok.
330 Beautiful Phoenix (Sofronoff) ..... 145 lbs. Hung.
033 Supreme Command (Lun) ..... 143 lbs. Chen Po.
440 Hylamon (S. H. Wong) 142 lbs. Tsai.
303 Peach Blossom (Leskoff) 141 lbs. Chun Kit.
004 Bright Bay (Lun) .... 140 lbs. Holman.
000 Princess Ellen (Noodt) 139 lbs. Chuang.

Possible Acceptors: Mayfair, Potentiality.

5.00 p.m. Race 7 HOK-UN HANDICAP. 1 Mile 171 Yards. Class 7.

230 Hawaiian Moon (Noodt) 151 lbs. Hung.
020 Gay Sire (Krasnoperoff) 150 lbs. Allan Chan.
011 Hiawatha (Rodney) .... 150 lbs. Andrew Lam.
100 Attractive Power (Lin) 147 lbs. Samarcq.
442 Carola (A. S. Wong) .. 147 lbs. P. K. Liang.
100 Tamerlane (Sofronoff)*146 lbs. W. P. K. Ling.
423 Good Girl (Lun) .....*145 lbs. Sonny Shum.
000 Jezebel (A. S. Wong) .. 145 lbs. Chuang.
020 Morning Dew (Lin) .. 141 lbs. Holman.
000 Perfectibility (Pereboeff) 140 lbs. Wei.
334 New Love (Tokmokoff) 130 lbs. Kwok.

Possible Acceptors: Lake Success, Tumbleweed, Ma Cherie.

5.30 p.m. Race 8 MATAUKOK HANDICAP (2nd Section). 6 Furlongs. Class 4.

040 Fighting Spirit (Lun)*159 lbs. Sonny Shum.
000 Full Ahead (Tokmokoff) 152 lbs. Kwok.
000 Dragonfly (Noodt) .... 150 lbs. Chuang.
100 Fenchurch (Metrevelli) 140 lbs. Chun Kit.
122 Beloved (Tokmokoff) ..*147 lbs. Sam Chow.
000 Ecstasy (Chiang) ..... 147 lbs. Wei.
424 All Gay (Pereboeff) .... 140 lbs. E. S. Wong.
400 Fidra (Krasnoperoff) .. 145 lbs. Allan Chan.

Possible Acceptors: Winning Touch, Mascot.

6.00 p.m. Race 9 MONGKOK HANDICAP (2nd Section). 1 Mile. Class 6.

440 Strathvohr (Rodney) ... 157 lbs. Andrew Lam.
010 Squadron Leader, (Leskoff) ..... 155 lbs. E. S. Wong.
140 Encore (S. H. Wong) .. 154 lbs. Tsai.
-10 Kerrera (Krasnoperoff) 154 lbs. Kwok.
000 Lawrence (Pereboeff) .. 154 lbs. C. L. Tel.
024 Another Victory (S. H. Wong) ..... 153 lbs. H. H. Chan.
301 Forward View (Lun) .. 152 lbs. Pih.
-01 Million Dollar (Lin) ..,150 lbs. Ng.
000 Tonyber (Krasnoperoff) 150 lbs. Botelho.
332 High Speed (Pereboeff) 139 lbs. K. F. Chiu.

Possible Acceptor: Hiram C.

6.30 p.m. Race 10 TUNGLOWAN HANDICAP. 6 Furlongs. Class 3.

201 Bluegrass (A. S. Wong) 159 lbs. Hung.
300 Norse Girl (Belokopitoff) 155 lbs. Ostroumoff.
200 Never Mind (Leskoff) .. 152 lbs. E. S. Wong.
002 Cordon Rouge (Lin) .... 151 lbs. Holman.
004 King A (Lin) ..... 150 lbs. Pih.
300 Tom Thumb (Leskoff) 150 lbs. Samarcq.
004 Amusement (Sofronoff) 149 lbs. Travert.
004 Easy Win (Noodt) .... 148 lbs. Tsai.
000 Ambition (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs. Starr Liu.
001 Diana (Metrevelli) ....*144 lbs. Hulse.
-43 Hongkong Diamond (Noodt) ..... 141 lbs. Chuang.
000 Santa Maria (Metrevelli) 140 lbs. Alex Lam.
000 Beautiful Lie (A. S. Wong) ..... 137 lbs. C. W. Wong.
002 Burning Arrow (Chew) 136 lbs. C. L. Liu.

Possible Acceptors: Rainbow, American Carrot, the Cherub.

* Jockey Allowance Claimed.

THE GAMBOLS . . . by Barry Appleby

Smart People

Denis Compton Makes A Fine Start In First Class Cricket

London, May 9.

Widespread rain interfered with county cricket in England today preventing any play at Oxford, where the University are playing West Indies, and leaving only one game—that at Hove between Sussex and Gloucestershire—uninterrupted.

Leslie Lenham, a 20-year-old opening bat playing in his second first-class match, was Sussex's hero, scoring 95 in three hours 35 minutes and looking a fine substitute for Alan Oakman, who is unfit. He hit three sixes and seven fours and gave only one chance—at 82.

Two more experienced players were also in form. Denis Compton made a fine start to his last season in first class cricket by scoring 50 when Middlesex replied to Kent's first innings of 346 for eight declared.

But he could not prevent his side having to follow on 238 behind. He again showed good form in the second innings with 35 not out.

Dodg Insole Compton's England colleague, contributed 84 including 11 fours to Essex's second innings of 242 and his fifth wicket partnership of 93 with Michael Bear put Essex in a strong position against Hampshire at Southampton.

A BAD START

Glamorgan had to struggle for runs at Cardiff, where play was delayed two hours, but after a bad start reached 149 for eight, putting them 210 ahead of Lancashire.

Gilbert Parkhouse began the Glamorgan revival but mishit Malcolm Hilton and was caught for 20, after which Wilf Wooller (22) and Jim Pressdee (25 not out) continued the good work.

Only 20 minutes' play was possible at Leicester where Yorkshire replied with 25 for no wicket to the home team's 336 yesterday.

At Cambridge too play ended early after the University had gained first innings lead by dismissing the remaining five Somerset batsmen for 44.—Reuter.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Oxford:—Oxford University 119, West Indies 155 for four. Rain no play today.

At Cambridge:— Cambridge University 279 and 13 for no wicket, Somerset 158. Rain stopped play.

At Leicester:— Leicestershire 336, Yorkshire 25 for no wicket. Rain stopped play.

At Hove:— Gloucestershire 322 and 64 for no wicket, Sussex 279 (Lenham 95, Cook six for 84).

At Lords:—Kent 346 for eight declared. Middlesex 108 (Compton 50, Halfyard five for 46, and 103 for four).

At Southampton:—Essex 146 and 242 (Insole 84), Hamshire 82 and 57 for one.

At Cardiff:—Glamorgan 104 and 149 for eight. Lancashire 171.—Reuter.

Week-End Lawn Bowls Teams

The following players have been selected to represent their respective clubs in the lawn bowls league game over the week-end.

CCC

1st Division (Home) v KBGC: W. C. Young, G. F. Santos, G. Hong Choy, A. E. Coates (Skip); C. K. Sung, F. O. Madar, C. C. Ma, S. L. Leonard (Skip); F. Lee, W. C. Ogley, C. R. Rosselet, J. S. Landolt (Skip).

2nd Division (Away) v HKFC: Y. A. Razack, A. E. H. Castro, R. O. Baker, M. Q. Wong (Skip); L. M. Sousae, S. R. Solina, J. Pau, E. G. Barros (Skip); A. K. Ismail, Wong Yan, T. A. Leonard, J. W. Leonard (Skip).

FC

2nd Division (Home) "Red" v Recreio on Sunday: J. Soares, J. Remedios, A. J. Coelho, C. A. Coelho (Skip); C. M. Rozario, L. A. Rosario, C. F. Rozario, J. T. Cotton (Skip); L. M. Neves, A. Bachoo, T. M. Casilho, F. Tan (Skip).

2nd Division (Away) "Blue" v U.S.R.C.: A. M. Machado, J. W. Lee, V. A. Neves, R. Basa (Skip); A. M. Luz, M. J. Rull, A. H. Souza, V. Ribeiro (Skip); C. M. Franco, R. Ribeiro, E. J. Xavier, M. T. Nunes (Skip).

HKCC

2nd Division (Home) v KCC: R. C. Trail, R. E. H. Nelson, W. Rees, E. G. Gee (Skip); L. C. Kew, A. B. Coleman, N. Heaton, F. Howorth (Skip); K. M. Almao, W. H. Pritchard, T. O. Morgan, A. Duffy (Skip).

3rd Division (Home) v KBGC: A. G. Staley, N. A. Brown, J. L. Mouatt, J. R. McAusland (Skip); H. R. O. Hubble, F. H. King, N. Fahy, L. M. S. Lloyd (Skip); A. Hoofard, D. J. Randall, D. T. Smith, F. C. B. Black (Skip).

HKFC

2nd Division (Home) v CCC: H. Black, H. F. Shields, K. Summers, K. Yorrow (Skip); T. V. C. Reynolds, W. S. Taylor, E. Gautier, K. A. Baker (Skip); R. A. Jones, W. A. P. Thom, T. Dyer, B. I. Bickford (Skip).

3rd Division (Away) v HKPSA: C. Edgeller, W. J. Woodstock, T. T. Harley, C. Barclay (Skip); A. Mackie, G. C. Israel, H. H. Holgate, M. N. Rakusen (Skip); G. Edwards, J. O'Connor, J. Rice, E. Moth (Skip).

Reserves: N. K. Harvey, G. Baldwin, W. Giles.

HKPSA

J. Boxal, S. Roberts, H. Finney, H. D. Dewar (Skip); J. R. Wall, D. J. Stevens, G. Watt, R. MacKenzie (Skip); D. S. Rose, C. L. Stevens, E. O'Brien, K. Bodle (Skip).

KBGC

1st Division (Away) v CCC: S. Bicheno, G. Leslie, L. Cosgrove, A. Harvey (Skip); G. Jeffries, T. Gasson, E. Liddell, A. Eastman (Skip); L. Gaddi, A. Steven, M. Purvis, C. Roundsefell (Skip).

The Third Division match v Hongkong Cricket Club has been postponed to a date to be fixed.

KCC

1st Division (Home) v K.D.C. on Wednesday May 15: D. C. Symons, C. J. Stapleton, J. Chubb, W. Hongsling (Skip); W. Baker, A. M. Alves, J. Duffield, F. R. Kermani (Skip); S. Y. Doe, J. Tang, M. J. Divecha, T. E. Baker (Skip).

2nd Division (Away) v H.K.C.C.: B. Shirazee, L. Bones, H. Phoenix, J. N. Wong (Skip); A. J. Maitland, E. P. H. White, G. Lee, R. S. Capell (Skip); W. G. Dooley, J. F. da Silva, E. C. Fincher, T. Lock (Skip).

3rd Division (Away) v Recreio on Sunday: F. C. Kew, D. Thomson, A. D. White, R. J. Taylor (Skip); P. Wood, W. Turner, W. S. Edwards, G. Ladd (Skip); G. Hempsey, C. Evans, S. Smith, J. A. White (Skip).

KDC

2nd Division (Away) v KDC: Roza Yu, M. Taylor, P. W. Metcalfe, F. W. Hollands (Skip); E. Bellamy, M. Williamson, T. Paynton, R. O. Hughes (Skip); R. G. Laurel, P. Lowe, J. Lawford, C. Pope (Skip).

Reserve: H. A. McLennour.

3rd Division (Home) v POC: E. A. Fisher, J. Moore, T. Pilkington, H. M. Bryan, J. R. Evans, T. H. Walkers, T. Chalmers, S. H. Marvin (Skip); E. S. Jones, J. H. Harris, R. Y. Smith, N. C. Seymour (Skip).

Reserve: S. G. Mills, R. Jaques.

Recreio

1st Division (Away) v HC "Gold" on Sunday: A. P. Pereira Jr., C. Rosa-Pereira, C. E. Pasqoe, J. F. V. Ribeiro (Skip); F. X. M. da Silva, E. M. Alarcoun, J. E. Noronha, H. F. da Luz (Skip); J. A. da Luz, L. F. Xavier, C. C. Pereira, A. A. Lopes (Skip).

2nd Division (Away) v Filipino Club "Red" on Sunday: L. M. Remedios, A. M. Baptista, S. E. Soura, F. G. da Luz (Skip); E. M. Ribeiro, C. P. Basto, G. A. Noronha, L. S. da Silva (Skip); A. M. da Silva, V. A. Sequeira, A. Gutierres, H. A. Osorio (Skip).

3rd Division (Home) v Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday: A. F. Xavier, S. Rivero, F. X. Alves, F. L. Correa (Skip); R. C. Salva Jr., L. A. Marques, F. A. Rosa, A. B. Marques (Skip); F. R. Souza, J. V. Sequeira, L. A. Ivanovich, G. F. Rosario (Skip).

USRC

2nd Division (Home) v FC "Blue" on Sunday: G. Walker, R. H. Noble, T. Curry, D. L. Edwards (Skip); A. G. Lochie, A. Buckley, R. Edwards, G. D. S. Aguay (Skip); A. Sonyer, P. W. Holway, N. Hart-Baker, R. M. Retherington (Skip).

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Prague-Warsaw-Berlin 'Peace' Cycling Race

Berlin, May 9.

Guillaume Van Tongerloo gave the Belgian team its third lap victory in the Prague-Berlin-Warsaw "Peace" cycling race today when he romped home winner in the seventh lap from Leipzig to Berlin.

Today's lap also favoured the Polish team which took over the general team lead from France.

Off to a rapid start from Leipzig, several riders were left in the rear, including the Finns, Raimo Heronen and Rzocsit Nyrailen, and the Swede, Pererik Bergkvist. The Polish team sped into the leading places, determined to give their country first place in the team classification.

After some little time, the leading group sorted itself out and a new group took the lead, including the Dane, Olef Dalgaard. At the 60 kilometre mark, this group was one minute, 20 seconds ahead of the main pack.

The main group of riders made a special effort and closed the gap, leaving, however, the Swede Knut Karlson and the Czech Jan Novak in the rear.

LEADING PACK

The leaders sped along and reached the flat open roads leading to Berlin. Between the leading pack and the main group of riders the Dane, Dalgaard and Sweden's Karlson pedalled their lone course.

A short distance behind them and ahead of the main group, rode three riders, one of them the Dane, Harry Pedersen.

The leading group, each pushing the other to greater efforts, sped through Potsdam at a fast pace, with one minute, 35 seconds ahead over the main pack at this 140 kilometre mark.

The gap between the leaders and the main pack widened until 30 kilometres from the finish. Spectators were waiting nearly four minutes between seeing the leaders and the main group pedal by.

The pace was fast, too fast for many among the leading group, and certain among them fell back to be caught up in the whirl and fury of the main pack.

Grunwald rode into the stadium at Berlin in first place with Van Tongerloo hanging to his back wheel. Still unable to take a lead, the Belgian was in second position coming out of the turn in the stadium track, but standing on the pedals, Van Tongerloo hurled his machine past the flying German to take first place as the pair flashed over the line.

Saddle-worn and weary, the main pack reached the stadium three seconds behind the winners.—France-Presse.

U.S. BASEBALL

Washington Senators Score 8-5 Win Over Detroit Tigers

New York, May 9.

Roy Sievers lined out a three-run homer today and scored another run to lead the Washington Senators out of their ten-game losing streak with an 8-5 triumph over the Detroit Tigers.

Camilio Pascual went the distance for Washington, scattering 11 hits and becoming the first National starter to last the route in nine games.

The victory was the first for Cookie Lavagetto since he took over as manager on Tuesday. The Senators dropped two games here.

Sievers, who has driven in more than a fourth of Washington runs and is the leader in the American League game with 24, plastered Frank Lary's 3-2 pitch in the third into the left field stands with Eddie Yost and Jerry Snyder on base to give Washington a 3-1 lead.

A TRIPLE

The Senators never gave up the lead but Detroit kept it close until the ninth, when Sievers led off with a double and Jim Lemon clouted the longest ball hit this season in Briggs Stadium. It hit the flagpole 20 feet up about 425 feet from home plate, bouncing back onto the field for a triple. Lemon came in on Lou Berberet's single, making it 8-4.

In the only other game of the day or night, Jim Wilson cooled off Ted Williams and pitched the Chicago White Sox to a 2-0 victory over the Boston Red Sox. The Sox scored their first run in the second inning when Jim Landis walked, stole second and scored on Wal Dropo's single and added their other run in the sixth when Nelson Fox walked, moved to third on Minnie Minoso's single and scored on Landis' double. Wilson stopped Williams four straight times and struck out nine.

THE SCORE
American League

Washington	003-110-012—8-13—2
Detroit	010-111-001—5-11—1

Pascual (2-3) and Berberet; Lary, Aber (7) and House. LP-Lary (2-3). HR-Sievers (6th).—United Press.

DAVIS CUP MATCH

Warsaw, May 9.

Poland and Chile will meet in their Second Round European Zone Davis Cup match here on May 17, 18 and 19.—Reuter.

$7,500 Women's Open Golf Tournament

Gatlinsburg, Tennessee, May 9.

Three pros scrambled into the lead with two over par 75s today in the first round of the $7,500 Gatlinsburg Women's Open, over a new course cut in the rugged Smoky Mountains.

Marilyn Smith, Vonnie Colby and Beverly Hanson took a one-stroke margin over the field of 40, including 22 touring professionals.

Bunched behind the leaders at 76 were Betty Dodd and Betty Jameson.

AT HOT SPRINGS

Hot Springs, Arkansas, May. 9.

Marty Furgol and Jackie Burme today led the field in first-round play of the $20,000 Arlington Open golf tournament with 68s.

Furgol sunk an 18-foot putt on the 18th to come in four under par on the 6,071-yard Arlington course.—United Press.

'Bobo' Olson Plans A Comeback As Light-Heavy

Portland, Oregon, May 9.

Carl 'Bobo' Olson, 28-year-old former world middleweight boxing champion, plans a comeback as a Light-Heavyweight, his manager, Mr Sid Flaherty, said here today.

Olson "retired" last October.—Reuter.

CRICKET TOUR

Findlay Forecasts Good Prospects At Singapore

Singapore, May 9.

Hongkong's cricket team to tour Singapore and Malaya would put up a good showing, F. Findlay, the 37-year-old skipper said after his arrival tonight.

Findlay told reporters: "We have a very strong bowling side and when our batsmen get down to scoring we should put up a good fight."

Most of the players had shown good form in the two practice matches they had before coming out to Singapore.

Sportswriters here said hopes of the visitors were on their formidable attack—particularly on fast bowlers Brian Carnell and Mike Birley.

Carnell who played in Singapore with the Hongkong Services team in 1955 was said to be faster than any bowler in Malaya, while Birley was only a shade slower.

To support these two will be Greenhalgh a medium pace bowler who played in the North Lancashire league and left-hander Dhabher, also a medium pace who played in Singapore in 1955.

The team tomorrow (Friday) is expected to put in some final practice before the weekend match against Singapore, the first game of the tour.—Reuter.

Caldbeck Cup Final On May 20

Next Wednesday, at the Police ground, Boundary Street, 24 Field Engineers Regt, RE, winners of the Army Major Units football league, and Command Workshop, REME, winners of the Minor Units league, will play off for the league championship.

The match starts at 5.30 p.m.

On Monday, May 20, the Caldbeck Cup final will be played off, also on the Police ground at Boundary Street.

The contestants are 24 Field Engineers Regt, RE, the holders, and 1st Batt KOSB who are coming up from Singapore to play match.

The kick-off is at 6 p.m.

Admission to both games is free and all interested are invited to attend.

NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

1 Voyage
2 Incognito?
3 Football ones?
4 Human one?
4 May blow up
6 Exciting events
7 This wave
8 Early engine
9 This shire?
10 Bed

Solution on Page 9

BE SPECIFIC fly CATHAY PACIFIC

SAFETY FIRST ALWAYS

Royal H.K. Defence Force Orders

Serial No. 19. Orders by Brigadier L. T. Ride, CBE, ED, Commandant, Royal Hongkong Defence Force. Dated May 7, 1957.

FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Int Platoon—Wednesday, May 15—Parade MPG 2 p.m. Dress: Mufti.

Recce Unit—Tuesday, May 14—1. Lecture R/T. 2. Practical R/T. Parade MPG 5.15 p.m. for HQ RHKDF. Dress: OG Bush Shirt & Trousers, Beret, Anklets, Boots, Belt.

Light Troop—Friday May 17—Parade MPG 5.15 p.m. for HQ RHKDF. Dress: Mufti. All ranks are reminded to bring their OG uniform for fitting. T.A.B. Innoculation will be given.

THE HONG KONG REGIMENT

Training Courses—Lt. J. MacKenzie attended No. 122 ABC Instructors Course at the Joint School of Chemical Warfare and obtained 70% and was graded B. The Commanding Officer congratulates Lt. MacKenzie on this excellent result.

'A' Coy Tuesday May 14—WT Sten. Stoppages, Handling. NCO's Cadre. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Blue Beret. Mor Pl Tuesday May 14—Section Mor Drill. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Beret, Belt. 'B' Coy Thursday May 16—Trg Films, Lecture. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Beret, Belt. 'C' Coy May 12/20—Depot Camp Trg. 'D' Coy—Wednesday May 15—Map Reading LMG lesson 21, Cadre as per programme. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees. Recce Pl Coy MMG Pl Wednesday May 15—Fire Control & Recruits Course. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirt, Boots, Puttees, Blue Beret. Mor Pl Tuesday May 14—Section Mor Drill. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Beret, Belt. 'C' Coy May 12/20—Depot Camp Trg. 'D' Coy—Wednesday May 15—Map Reading LMG lesson 21, Cadre as per programme. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees. Recce Pl Coy MMG Pl Wednesday May 15—Fire Control & Recruits Course. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirt, Boots, Puttees, Blue Beret. Mor Pl Tuesday May 14—Section Mor Drill. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Beret, Belt. 'C' Coy May 12/20—Depot Camp Trg. 'D' Coy—Wednesday May 15—Map Reading LMG lesson 21, Cadre as per programme. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Beret, Belt. 'B' Coy Thursday May 16—Trg Films, Lecture. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Beret, Belt. 'C' Coy May 12/20—Depot Camp Trg. 'D' Coy—Wednesday May 15—Map Reading LMG lesson 21, Cadre as per programme. RV MPG 5.15 p.m. for RHQ. Dress: OG Trousers, KD Shirts, Boots, Puttees, Beret, Belt. MT Pl Tuesday May 14—As ordered by MTO. RV 5.30 p.m. at RHQ. Dress: OG Jacket, Trousers, Beret, Belt. Sec Tuesday, May 14—As already issued. RV 5.30 p.m. at MPG. Dress: OG Jacket, Trousers, Beret, Belt. Shoes. Med Sec Wednesday, May 15—As already issued. RV 5.30 p.m. at MPG. Dress: Overalls, Belt, Beret. Cooks Wednesday, May 15—Programme as per Med Sec. Regtl Pro Sec Friday, May 17—As already issued. RV 5.30 p.m. at RHQ. Dress: OG Shorts, Jacket, White Belt, Beret, Boots, Puttees. Band & Corps of Drums As ordered by Band President.

HOME GUARD

Training—Thursday May 16 — 36 Grenade Stripping, Assembling & Priming. Parade MPG 5.30 p.m. Dress: Overalls, Beret, Belt. Sunday May 19, 1957—Parade Security Car Park 9 a.m. for Kai Tak "B" Range. Dress: KD Shirt, OG Trousers, Beret, Anklets, WT Order.

HONGKONG AUXILIARY AIR FORCE

Trade Training—Police Section—Tuesday May 14—"A" Group—34 RAF Police Dist., North Point—8 p.m. Transport leaves MPG at 7.45 p.m. Equipment Section Tuesday May 14—All Personnel — HKAAF Hangar—6 p.m. Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 5.45 p.m. Thursday May 16—All Personnel—RAF Kai Tak at RHKDF—9 a.m. & 2 p.m. Transports leave Salisbury Road at 8.40 a.m. and MPG at 1.40 p.m. (Full Day). Saturday May 18—As detailed—HKAAF Hangar—2 p.m. Sunday May 19 — As detailed—HKAAF Hangar—9 a.m. Clerks G.D. Section Thursday May 16—All Personnel—HQ. RHKDF—5.15 p.m. Clerks G.D. Section Tuesday May 14—All Personnel—HKAAF Hangar—6 p.m. Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 5.45 p.m. A.T.C. Section Tuesday May 14—"A" Watch—Sek Kong Tower—9 a.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 8 a.m. Saturday May 18—As detailed—Kai Tak Tower—1 p.m. Sunday May 19 As detailed—Kai Tak Tower—9 a.m. & 1 p.m. MT. Section Wednesday May 15—All Personnel—HQ RHKDF—5.30 p.m. Transport leaves MPG at 5.15 p.m. Nursing Section Tuesday May 14—All Personnel—SSQ RAF Kai Tak—9 a.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 8.45 a.m. Friday May 17—All Personnel—Windsor House—5.15 p.m. Wireless Section. Tuesday May 14—All Personnel—HQ RHKDF and Cable & Wireless—9.15 a.m. and 2.15 p.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves MPG at 9 a.m. and HQ RHKDF at 12.30 p.m. Friday May 17 — All Personnel — Lecture Room MPG — 5.30 p.m. C & R Section. Thursday May 16—Fighter Plotters—SOC—9 a.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves MPG at 8.45 a.m. Sunday May 19—1 Controller from 'C' Team —SOC—9 a.m. 'C' Team—43 SU—9 a.m. (Full Day). Transport leaves Salisbury Road at 8.30 a.m.

Flying Training—Saturday & Sunday May 18 & 19—All Pilots as detailed by OC Flying Squadron.

HONGKONG WOMEN'S AUXILIARY ARMY CORPS

Training—Signals Section. Wednesday May 15—Those detailed. Parade MPG 5.15 p.m. for HQLF. Dress: Uniform. First Aid Section. Thursday May 16—Parade 5.30 p.m. WD Car Park for 33 Gen Hospital. Dress: Mufti. Signals Section. Friday May 17—Those detailed. Parade MPG 5.15 p.m. for HQLF. Dress: Uniform.

(Sgd.) G. H. CALVERT, Major, for Commandant, RHKDF.

NOTICES

Salaries Tax—All members of the RHKDF will be notified the total Pay and Allowances received by them during the last financial year. This information will be furnished through Company/Unit Commanders who are in possession of details of payments made to members of their respective units.

Buttmarkers Ball — Hongkong Regiment—(1) The Hongkong Regiment Buttmarkers Ball will be held at the Kowloon Cricket Club on June 8, 1957. Dancing from 8 p.m. till 1 a.m. Tickets at $5 per person (which includes Buffet Supper) are obtainable from Company Commanders, the Volunteer Centre, Canteen and the Canteen at HQ RHKDF, Happy Valley. Requests for Table Reservations will be made through Company CQMS's who will inform the QM the HK Regt. (2) Tickets Serial Nos. 151-200 are declared invalid.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby Saturday, 11th May, 1957

Over 1,400,000 tickets sold to date

The Sale of Cash Sweep Tickets on the above will close on Friday, 10th May, 1957 as follows:—

382 Nathan Road, Kowloon, at 4.00 p.m.

5, D'Aguilar Street, at 5.00 p.m.

Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, at 6.00 p.m.

The Draw will be held in the Public Betting Hall at the Race Course, at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, 11th May, 1957.

By Order of the Stewards,
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Treasurers.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Programmes and Entry Forms for the 13th Race Meeting 1956/57 to be held on Saturday, 25th May, 1957, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Wednesday, 15th May, 1957.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

TWELFTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 4th and Saturday 11th May, 1957

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 20 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.

All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at $10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Chater Road only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72811).

The 6th Floor is restricted to Members and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be $3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of $3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at $20.00 each per day and $40.00 for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), and 5, D'Aguilar Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In all other cases Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole Meeting.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 3rd May, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

SPECIAL CASH SWEEP

Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby scheduled to be run on 11th May, 1957, at $2.00 each, may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices.

TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

NOTICE

13th RACE MEETING
1956/57
Saturday, 25th May, 1957

The following conditions for 1957 ponies for the above Race Meeting are announced:—

ALVESTON STAKES.—Winner $4,000. Second $2,250. Third $1,750. Winners of $1,750 or more in stakes barred. Weight 147 lbs. Entrance $5. FROM THE 1½ MILE POST (About Half a Mile 170 Yards).

(RACE A).—CLARENCE STAKES.— Winner $4,000 Second $2,250. Third $1,750. Winners of $1,750 or more in stakes barred. Weight 147 lbs. Entrance $5. FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND & IN (About One Mile 171 Yards).

Note.—ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR ONE RACE ONLY, i.e., EITHER THE ALVESTON STAKES OR (RACE A) CLARENCE STAKES.

(RACE B).—CLARENCE STAKES.— Winner $4,000. Second $2,250. Third $1,750. Winners of less than $1,750 or more than $2,250 in stakes barred. Weight: Winners of $1,750 in stakes 142 lbs., Winners of $2,250 in stakes 147 lbs. Entrance $5. FROM THE TWO MILE POST ONCE ROUND & IN (About One Mile 171 Yard).

A. E. ARNOLD,
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"PERSEUS"

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Paulsen & Boyes-Davy at Holt's Wharf from 10 a.m. on May 11 & 13, 1957, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 10th May, 1957.

US AIR FORCE GIVES REWARDS FOR MONEY SAVING IDEAS

By PETER JOHNSON

Weisbaden, May 9.

An award of $1,100 (about £370) awaits the airman with the idea which saves the most money during 1957 for the United States Air Force European Command, which also includes Britain, North Africa and the Middle East.

Until now, the top award has been $500. But Command headquarters here has announced that its suggestions scheme, introduced in 1954, has been so successful that awards at all levels are to be increased.

The total paid out is expected to be at least double the $10,092 which went to airmen in the Command last year. The idea which wins the top award will have to produce an estimated annual saving of $20,000.

More than six per cent of the Command's military personnel made suggestions last year under the scheme, a normal practice of American personnel management. The bigger awards now offered are expected to step up this percentage.

Some of the ideas are quite simple, such as buying items for meals by the thousand instead of by the hundred.

Annual Saving

In 1956 military personnel in the Command sent in 5,482 suggestions which, it is estimated, could achieve an annual saving of $2,097,310. It was not possible to adopt all the ideas received, although 1,272 of them were put into practice with an annual saving of $32,000 in cash and 140,000 man-hours.

A separate suggestions programme is run for civilian employees, both American and foreign, employed in the Command. Notices at bases, in a variety of languages including Arabic, tell employees about the plan.

An American civilian's suggestion produced the largest saving to be made by a single idea under this section of the awards.

Mr Dominic Delle Monache, of East Orange, New Jersey, is now based here with the headquarters of the Air Force's air material forces, European Area. In 1955, Mr Delle Monache, then at a supply depot at Erding, in Bavaria, suggested that instead of allowing excess property to be destroyed or sold for scrap it should be offered to bases which might be able to use it.

'Snapped Up'

Air Force officials said that base supply officers literally "snapped up" the excess items. The re-distribution saved time as well as money. Mr Delle Monache received the top award for the civilian scheme—$500.

Awards in this scheme have not been increased.

Civilian suggestions in the Air Force's European command last year ranged from a design for a wrench for adjusting jeep brakes to a simple rubber stamp for air force supply inspectors.

Command employees submitted 1,378 suggestions last year, of which 287 were adopted. Tangible savings amounted to $187,857 (including working time saved).

The ideas, like many of the military personnel's ideas, often brought considerable intangible benefits too, such as improvements in health, safety or morale. Civilian employees of the United States Government throughout the world saved altogether nearly $70,000,000 in 1956 by means of 79,295 suggestions.—China Mail Special.

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R.M.S. "CHUSAN"

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS

SAILS: Sunday, 12th May, at 12.00 Noon for the UNITED KINGDOM, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, thence via the Cape of Good Hope.

BAGGAGE: Passengers are requested to send ALL BAGGAGE to the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Co.'s Godown No. 2 GATE, CANTON ROAD ENTRANCE, By Noon on Saturday, 11th May.

SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves, ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co.'s Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only.

EMBARKATION: Passengers should embark between 9.30 and 11.00 a.m. on 12th May, 1957.

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UK POST OFFICE IN TANGIER

Closed Down After Century Of Business

By ALAN ROY

Tangier, May 9.

The British Post Office in what used to be the International Zone here closed down at midnight on April 30.

All British postage stamps not sold were destroyed. The stamps are similar to those used in Britain and in the same values, but are overprinted with the word "Tangier."

Moroccan post office officials took over the British Post Office building in the early hours on May 1 and when the office opens to the public, the postage stamps on sale are those showing the Sultan Mohamed V.

The step follows the abrogation of the International Statute of Tangier and although it has been taken voluntarily, it is obvious that it would have been only a matter of time before the new sovereign state of Morocco asked the British Government to hand over.

A Relic

Nevertheless, the British Post Office here has remained open long enough to celebrate its centenary, on April 1 this year.

It is a relic of the time when Morocco had no post office services of its own and when each nation interested sought to establish its own postal services for political or business reasons. As a result, at the beginning of this century there was in Tangier and several towns in Morocco not only a British Post Office but also a Spanish one, a French one, a German one and a Moroccan one.

After the treaty which created the Protectorate, the French and Moroccan Post Offices merged to become the Cherifian Postal Services, taking their name from the then ruling dynasty.

The German Post Office disappeared in 1914 when Morocco entered World War I on the side of the Allies.

The British Post Office in Tangier, opened on April 1, 1857, a few months after Queen Victoria had signed a treaty of trade and friendship with the Sultan of Morocco, was the first post office in the country. It was housed in a room of the British Legation with an unpaid official, Mr James Sicsu, in charge.

Surcharge

Postal rates for letters to Tangier were fixed at two pennies a letter and Mr Sicsu levied a surcharge of one half-penny per letter on the addressee.

Before the new Post Office was opened, letters for Tangier had to be sent to Gibraltar and thence across the Straits by boats whose captains found someone in Tangier to distribute them. Under this system, addressees were charged between one penny and threepenny for delivery.

In 1872, the unpaid system was abolished and Mr Sicsu was given a salary of £35 sterling a year, out of which he had to pay all office expenses, including £12 a year to the postman who delivered the letters.

By the following year, other premises had to be found for the post office because such crowds gathered at the Legation on days when the mail was due to arrive that it was almost impossible to get into the building.

A small shop was rented in 1873, and the post office has moved to larger premises twice since then. The present building was erected according to plans drawn up in London and opened to the public on June 15, 1952.

Identical

Until 1886, the postage stamps sold at the British office were identical with those used in Britain. Then, from 1886 to 1889, British stamps overprinted "Gibraltar" were used. From 1889 to 1898, Gibraltar stamps were used and from 1898 to 1900, Gibraltar stamps overprinted "Tangier".

The only special series of stamps ever put out here were those issued on April 1, 1957, to celebrate the centenary. They were ordinary British stamps overprinted "Tangier 1857-1957" and were put on sale for one month until the Post Office closed.

Hundreds of collectors, believing that in this case stamps bearing the cancellation mark of the last day would be more valuable than that of the first day, sent in envelopes to be posted on April 30.

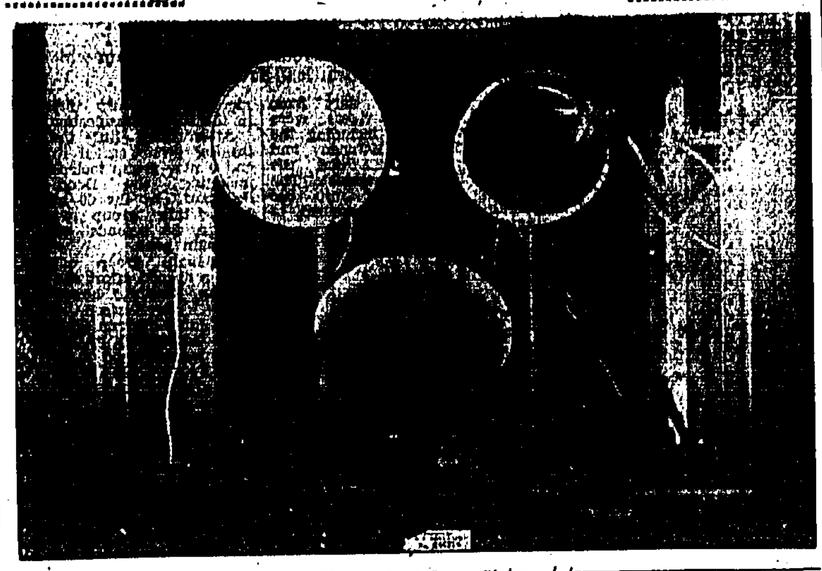
The disappearance of the British Post Office is regretted by many people here because it was a convenient means of making payments by postal or money order, in Britain or any country of the British Commonwealth. The sixpenny "air letter", too, was a cheap form of airmail which does not exist in the Moroccan postal services.

Moroccan postal rates, too, are higher than the British, in some cases as much as double. By a curious anomaly, the rates charged by the British Post Office in Tangier are in some cases lower than those in Britain.

The Moroccan nationalists, while working for the independence of their country, made considerable use of the British Post Office for their foreign correspondence. At a time when they feared the possibility of censorship the British Post Office offered them an unique security.

Paradoxically, the very independence which this security helped to further, is now the cause of the disappearance of the service.—China Mail Special.

'BRIGHT DAY' TELEVISION TUBE



The United States Research Laboratories have produced a revolutionary television tube. Its screen will permit viewing in bright daylight with very little loss of contrast. It is expected to provide a simplified approach to colour TV. The new tube is pictured right in demonstration. A normal tube is seen left. The bright light directed at the tubes completely obliterates the design on the left-hand screen, while the design can be comfortably seen on the new screen on right.—Express Photo.

INDIA'S ACTION 'INHUMAN' SAYS S. KOREA

Seoul, May 9.

A South Korean Ministry of Justice spokesman said tonight a former Korean prisoner of war, who was recently repatriated from India to North Korea, had been sentenced to death by a North Korean court martial.

The spokesman said no further details were immediately available.

He added the South Korean government considered India's action in returning prisoners who had sought asylum in India at the end of the war to North Korea, "inhuman."—Reuter.

Envoy Sees Queen

London, May 9.

The Queen today received at Buckingham Palace Mr Richard Whittington, who kissed hands on his appointment as British Ambassador in Bangkok, Siam. The Queen also received Mrs Whittington.—Reuter.

CANCELLATION OF COMET ORDER

London, May 9.

The news that the American Capital Airlines has decided for financial reasons to postpone its order for 14 British Comet jet airliners and 15 Viscount turbo-prop aircraft, caused keen disappointment in the British aircraft industry today.

It was feared that this postponement would be a first step towards the cancellation of the order altogether.

The De Havilland Aircraft Company, maker of the Comet, has decided to go ahead with the construction of the 14 aircraft all the same. — France-Presse.

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By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

There's More than Magic about CADBURY'S... HONG KONG'S Favourite Chocolates

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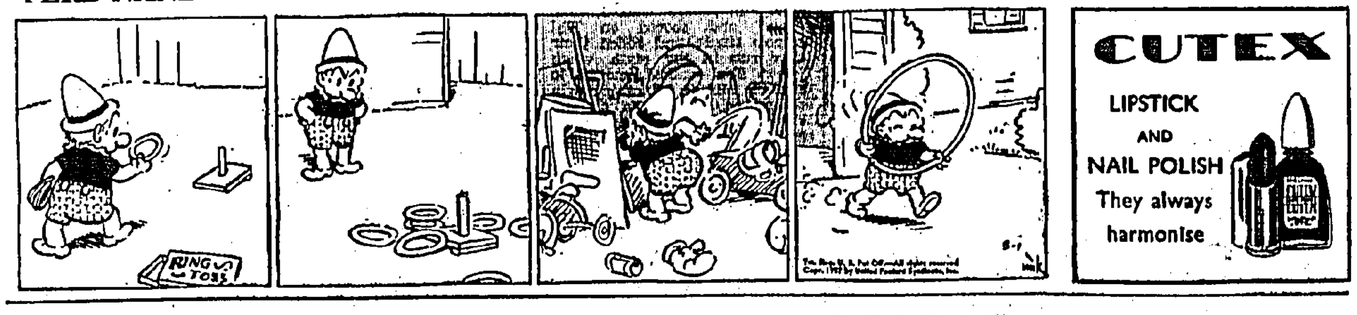

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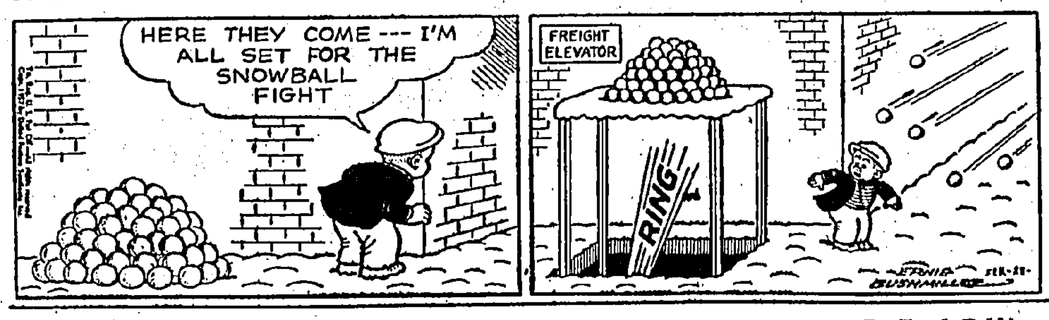

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JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins

...this situation calls for a San Miguel

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

UTILITIES DOMINATE MARKET

Buying Spree Expected To Taper Off

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Utilities dominated the Hongkong Stock Exchange with Trams and Telephones prominent during a week of steady trading.

The marked demand for blue chips pushed the value of Trams and Telephones up 40 cents over the week with other utilities closing on a firm note.

This buying spree is expected to taper off soon as sources are drying up.

The turnover for the week was $4,15 million—nearly nine lakhs more than last week—with a tally of eleven higher, nine unchanged and four lower as compared with the previous week's tally of eight higher, seven steady and nine lower.

China Provident

China Provident continued to improve gaining 60 cents during the week to close at $13, while Wharves closed at $109, losing $1 over the week compared with a gain of $7 the previous week.

Brokers feel that the improvement in the godown section is due chiefly to present good business and anticipated business.

Hotels gained 20 cents closing at $15.40, while Lands lost 50 cents to close at $34.75.

Cements, Dairy Farms and Watsons maintained their interest in the market showing little change over the week.

Banks are down fractionally on their London quote of £95½, while Union Insurance were down to £59 compared with £60½ last week on the London Exchange.

Better Enquiry

Here is an Ice House Street observer's account of the market:

The Stock Market has experienced another week of steady trading with the overall turnover amounting to $4,153,000 which, though only moderate, is a slight improvement on the past few weeks.

As a result of the better enquiry, the majority of share values have been marked up to higher levels and the undertone has shown a firmer tendency as the week progressed.

Utilities have been in better demand with Trams and Telephones prominent although the latter closed a shade below the top levels. Electrics came in for attention in the closing session.

In the godown section, China Providents were more active than of late and advanced to $13, a gain of 60 cents. Wharves reacted slightly on profit-taking but steadied again before the close.

Wheelocks also recovered 20 cents on the week and closed at $7.55.

Hotels were well supported and edged fractionally higher but Lands yielded ground.

Realties, however, were a shade firmer at $1.45.

Cements, Dairy Farms and Watsons were steady and show little change.

Rubbers generally were dull with prices virtually unchanged.

Market Diary

Here is a market diary of the week:

Friday:	Slightly firmer tendency. T/O: $791,000.
Monday:	Fractionally higher. T/O: $1,060,000.
Tuesday:	Ruled steady. T/O: $796,000.
Wednesday:	No material change. T/O: $744,000.
Thursday:	Well maintained. T/O: $762,000.

★ The Share Market At A Glance ★

	Apr 4	Apr 11	Apr 26	May 2	May 9	Up or Down
HK Bank	1665	1650	1665	1650m	1650	steady
Lombard	38	38	37¼b	38b	38b	steady
Union	947½b	950b	970b	960b	940xd	—$1
Wheelock	6.65	6.90	7.40b	7.35	7.55	+20c
HK Wharf	101m	97½mxd	103	110	109	—$1
HK Docks	44½	45	44½	44¾	45	+25c
Provident	13.20s	11.90xd	12.30	12.40	13	+60c
HK Hotels	14.40	14.40	14.80	15.20	15.40	+20c
HK Lands	36	35½	35¼	35¼	34¾	—50c
HK Realty	1.35b	1.35	1.40	1.40	1.45	+5c
HK Trams	21.50m	21½	21½	21.60	22	+40c
Star Ferry	137s	137s	136	136s	135n	steady
Yaumatis	102	102½m	103	102	102	steady
Ch Lights	22.40	21.90	18.40xa	18.40	18.40	steady
Electrics	29.20	29.20	29	29.40	29.40	steady
HK Telephone	24.60	24.70	24.70	25.30	25.70	+40c
G.I. Cement	32¾	32¾	32½	32½	32½	steady
Dairy Farm	16.10	15xd	14.80	14.60	14.80	+20c
A.S. Watson	11.70m	11.60m	11.60	11.60	11.60	steady
Yangtsze	5.90	5.90b	6b	6b	6.10	+10c
Allied	4.725n*	4.725n	4.60	4.50m	4.50m	steady
HK & FE Inv	10b	10b	10.20	10b	10.20b	+20c
Textile Corp	4.70	4.70m	4.65m	4.65	4.60b	—5c
Nanyang	8.20m	8.15	8.10m	8.05	8.10	+5c

Selective Shares Have Good Gains On Wall Street

New York, May 9.

Selective rail shares, oils, steels and utilities held good gains in a sliding market in the final minutes of trading today.

The market as a whole showed small fractional improvement. The specialties had gains of a point to 3 points.

Volume ran behind Wednesday, reflecting slackening as the down-trend developed. Turnover of 2,520,000 shares compared with 2,590,000 shares.

The rails were the only major group to lose ground on average, dipping .08 to 147.54. Industrials finished well below their high but up .03 at 496.76, utilities up .36 at 73.62, just a shade below their 20-year high, and 65 stocks up .09 at 174.30.

Steels closed firm when many specials had early gains pared. Motors were easier.

Of a total 1,144 issues traded, 504 were higher, 410 lower, 230 unchanged, with 100 at new highs, 25 at new lows.

NY Stock Exchange bond volume was $4,130,000.

American Stock Exchange volume was 810,000 shares.

Dow-Jones closing averages were:

30 industrials	496.76
20 rails	147.57
15 utilities	73.62
65 stocks	174.30
40 bonds	90.00
Comm. future price index	154.84

Closing Prices

Aden Inc. Agency	$ 18¼
Allied Chemicals	88¼
Allied Mills Inc.	29¾
Allis Chalmers	35⅝
American Airlines	18⅝
American Cable & Radio Corp.	6¼
American Cyanamide Co.	81¼
Am. Mach. & F'dry.	38⅝
American Metal	27
American Smelting	53½
American Tel & Tel	177½
American Tob. "B"	73½
Anaconda Copper	65½
Armco Steel	53½
Armour	14⅝
Atlas Cons. Mining	00
Baldwin-Lima-Ham.	13⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	48¼
Beneficial Finance	43½
Bendix Aviation Corp.	65⅝
Benguet Cons.	1¼
Bethlehem Steel	45½
Boeing Airplane	48½
Borden (The) Co.	60¼
Burroughs Add Machine	45
Canadian Pacific R.	30
Case (J. I.) Co.	15⅝
Cat. Tractor	98¼
Celanese Corp.	15⅝
C. I. T. Financial Corp.	44⅛
Chase Manhat. Bank	48½
Chrysler Motors	76
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	43⅝
Colombian Carbon Co.	45⅛
Commercial Credit	51½
Commonwealth Elec.	31⅝
Consolidated Edison	43¼
Continental Oil of Del.	61⅛
Crown Zellerbach	52½
Cuban Amer. Sugar	27⅝
Douglas Aircraft	84⅛
Dow Chemicals	61⅝
Dupont de Nemours	194½
Eastern Airlines	39⅞
Eastman Kodak	90⅞
El Paso National Gas	38
Family Finance Corp.	24
Ford Motors	56⅝
Firestone Tyre & Rubber	95
General Electric	63⅛
General Foods	39⅛
General Motors	43⅝
Gen. Pub. Util.	37⅝
Getty Oil	09¾
Glidden Co.	36⅛
Goodrich (B. F.) Co.	74½
Goodyear Tyre	85⅛
Gulf Oil	145¼
Homestake Mining Co.	37
Ingersoll-Rand	87
Inland Steel Co.	112⅝
Interchemical Corp.	44
Int'l Business Machines	600
Int'l Harvester	35⅝
International Nickel	110¼
International Paper	103
Int'l Tel & Tel	30½
John-Manville Co.	48⅝
Kansas C. Power & Light	38⅝
Kennecott Copper	118
Liggett Mayers Tob. Co.	66⅝
Lockheed Aircraft	44⅛
Loews Incorp.	20
Lone Star Cement Co.	31⅛
Lowenstein & Sons	18⅛
McDonnell Aircraft (Am. Stock Exge.)	34⅝
Mesabi Iron Corp.	30⅞
Minnesota Mining	71⅞
Mission Development	30½
Monsanto Chemical Co.	34⅝
Montgomery Ward	38⅛
Motorola Inc.	40
National Cash Reg. "A"	62
National Dairy Prod.	35¼
National Lead	125¾
National Steel Corp.	72½
New York Central	31⅜
Otis Elevators	48
Owen-Illinois Glass	62
Pacific Gas & Elec.	49½
Pan American Airways	18
Paramount Pictures	30⅝
Parke Davis Co.	63⅞
Penny J. C. Co.	80½
Philip Morris	43½
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	76
Procter & Gamble Co.	40⅝
Publicker Industries	8⅜
Pure Oil	44⅛
Radio Corporation	38¾
Republic Steel	53⅝
Reynolds Metal	00¼
Shell Oil Co.	82⅞
Saint Reg. Paper	32⅝
Sinclair Oil	66⅞
Solar Aircraft	18⅛
South Puerto Rico Sugar	33¾
Southern National Gas	43
Southern Railway (Com.)	43⅝
Standard Oil of Cal.	52½
Standard Oil of Ind.	54
Sterling Drug	28⅞
Standard Oil of N.J.	60¾
Stokely-Van Camp.	18⅛
Studebaker-Packard Corp.	7¼
Swift & Co.	34⅞
Texas Co.	68⅞
Tide Water Assn. Oil	37¼
Twenty Century Fox Film	27⅞
Union Carbide	117
Union Pacific Railway	30¼
United Aircraft	76⅞
U.S. Foil	39⅝
U.S. Gypsum	07⅞
U. S. Line Co.	32⅝
U.S. Rubber	44⅞
U.S. Smelting	62
U.S. Steel	64
Warner Bros.	25¾
Westinghouse Electric	60⅛
Western Union Tel. Co.	18⅜
West Va. Pulp & Paper	30¼

—United Press.

Singapore Stock Market

Singapore, May 10.

Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

	Opening
Batu Lintang Rubber Co. Ltd.	$2.02½
British Borneo Petroleum Syndicate	59s 6d
Consolidated Tin Smelters Ord.	34s
Fraser & Neave Ltd Ord.	$2.40
Fraser & Neave 7½% cum. pref	$4.05
Gammons (Malaya) Limited	$1.07 *
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	$803
Hongkong Tin Ltd.	7s 9d *
Kumpas Ltd.	$1.62½
Kuala Kampur Tin	43s 6d
Lunas Rubber Estates Ltd.	0.62
Malayan Breweries	$2.05
New Serandah Rubber Co. Ltd.	$2.55
Petaling Tin Ltd.	$2.90
Raffles Hotel	$2.48
Singapore Cold Storage	$1.80
Straits Trading	$23.25†
Straits Steamship	$10.10
United Engineers Ord.	$9.75
Wearne Bros.	$3.12

* exdiv; † ex-all. — China Mail Special.

New York Sugar Market

New York, May 9.

World No. 4 sugar futures closed today 1 point higher to 3 points lower with sales of 1,357 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed 1 point lower to 1 point higher with sales of 70 contracts.

Expectations for a higher Cuban crop than previously indicated sent the world contract off to a shaky start, but the market steadied later on technical replacement buying and covering.

The spot market was lower following reported overnight purchases by Japan of around 6,000 tons of Cuban at 6.25 to 6.30 cents a pound, fob.

Contract No. 4 (world)

July	6.19
September	6.18-19
October	6.17
March	4.72
May	4.67
July	4.70
September	4.70
Spot-(cents per lb. fob Cuba)	6.20

Open interest: 1,357 contracts.

Contract No. 6 (domestic)

July	5.87
September	5.93
November	5.94
March	5.07
Spot-(cents per lb. cif NY ex-duty)	5.90

Open interest: 3,421 contracts.—United Press.

NAMESAKES

Answers—1 Journey, 2 Unknown, 3 Leagues, 4 Race, 5 Explosive, 6 Adventures, 7 Ocean, 8 Rocket, 9 Moon, 10 Wager.

Jules Verne.

COURTAULDS & CELANESE MERGER

London, May 9.

Full details of the proposed merger between Courtaulds Limited and British Celanese Limited have been circulated to shareholders.

To effect the acquisition of British Celanese share capital, it is proposed to increase the capital of Courtaulds to £72,524,856 by the creation of 9,512,500 six per cent second preference shares of £1 each and 5,012,356 ordinary shares of £1 each.

The capital is to be further increased to £82,512,500 by the creation of a further 9,987,644 ordinary shares of £1 each to provide a margin of authorised ordinary capital for contingencies.

Directors of Courtaulds have called an extraordinary general meeting for June 6 to approve the increase in capital.

The terms of the offer for acquisition of British Celanese issued share capital were announced on April 11 when an agreement in principal was reached. — China Mail Special.

Prices Firm On London Exchange

London, May 9.

Prices firmed on the stock exchange today with a few selected issues holding the spotlight.

Interest in Burmah Oil was stimulated by a higher dividend and a good earnings report, and it closed up a couple of shillings.

Courtaulds also was in demand, but De Havilland dropped as Capital Airlines called off a comet plant order.

Steels recovered from their recent easiness in active dealings. Royal Dutch was another oil feature, rising 2 shillings, 6 pence.

British Government bonds lost up to 5 shillings. Dollar stocks were marked lower but their premium was unchanged at 9 per cent.

In the foreign section, German and Japanese issues firmed, while Chinese liens moved lower.—United Press.

London Foreign Exchange

London, May 9.

Closing rates were:

New York	2.79-1/16-2.79⅛
Montreal	2.66⅞-2.67
Amsterdam	10.66⅞-10.67
Brussels	140.60-140.65
Lisbon	80.10-80.15
Milan	1761⅛-1761⅜
Paris	987-987⅛
Stockholm	14.40⅝-14.40⅞
Vienna	72.81-72.83
Zurich	12.26⅞-12.27

—United Press.

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, May 9.

Closing rates were:

England unofficial	2.75-2.77
" official	2.79-1/16
" 30-days	2.78¾
" 90-days	2.78¼
Australia	2.23⅛
New Zealand	2.76-1/16
South Africa	2.79
Canada	1.04-19/32

—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately $1,094,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers.	Sales
BANKS			
HK Bank	1640	1660	119 @ 1650; 30 @ 1650
East Asia	250		
INSURANCES			
Union XD	932½	940	222 @ 940; 25 @ 940; 20 @ 935
Lombard	39		
SHIPPING			
Wheelock	7.50	7.60	
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	107	110	
Dock	45	40½	1000 @ 45
Provident	13	13.40	125 @ 13
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	15½		1000 @ 15½
HK Land	34¾	35	465 @ 34¾
" (Rts.)	10.20		
S'hai Land			185 @ 10.10; 1000 @ 10.20
Humphreys		10.20	500 @ 10.50
Realty	1½		5000 @ 1½
RUBBER			
Amalg.	1.50	1.525	2000 @ 15.25; 5000 @ 15.25
Trust	0.45	1.55	400 @ 1.50; 14 @ 1.50; 60 @ 1.50; 400 @ 1.50; 240 @ 1.50
UTILITIES			
Tram	22.10	22½	600 @ 22; 1000 @ 22; 200 @ 22.30; 300 @ 22.20
Yaumati	101	103	400 @ 102
C. Light (O) X Rts.	18.40		2000 @ 18.40
(Rts.	12.30		800 @ 12½
Eletric	29½	30	300 @ 29.50; 143 @ 29.00
Macao E. XD	9.20		
Telephone	25.70	25.80	3614 @ 25.70; 500 @ 25.70; 172 @ 25.80; 3100 @ 25.70
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	32½	32¾	2800 @ 32½; 500 @ 32½
Rope	13.10		
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	14.00	15	375 @ 14.70; 100 @ 14.70
Watson	11.60	11.70	
Lane, C.	26	26.30	
COTTONS			
Textiles	4.00		4000 @ 4.05
Nanyang	8	8.05	2000 @ 8
MISCELLANEOUS			
Entert	17.70		
INVESTMENTS			
Yangtsze	6.10	6.20	1500 @ 6.10
Allied	4.45	4.55	
H.K. & F.E. Invest.	10.20		

WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

Singapore, May 9.

The market disappointed at overseas reactions yesterday and there was some selling by trade at opening. The market steadied later and there was good trade demand for lower grades. Futures were:

No. 1 rubber per lb. May	90½-90⅝
June	90½-90⅝
No. 2 rubber per lb. May	89¼-89¾
No. 3 " "	87¾-88¼
No. 4 " "	85⅛-86⅛
Spot rubber unbaled	89½-90
Blanket crepe	81-83
No. 1 pale crepe	96-98

LONDON

The rubber market was quiet but steady with spot quoted at 26⅝ pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 rubber Rss spot	20½-26¾
Settlement house term:	
June	26½-26¾
July/Sept.	26½-26¾
Oct./Dec.	26¼-26⅝
Jan./Mar.	20½-26⅝
Apr./June	26-26½
General markets, cif basis, ports:	
May	26½-26½
June	26¼-26½
July	26¼-26½
Estate crepe thin June	29
thick	unquoted

NEW YORK

Rex rubber futures today closed 10 to 20 points lower with sales of 51 contracts.

May	31.55
July	31.35
September	31.10
November	30.85
January	30.70
March	30.50
May	30.30

Standard contract closed 10 to 20 points lower with no sales reported.

May	31.55
July	31.35
September	31.10
November	30.85
January	30.70
March	30.50
May	30.30

The market was steadier in tone at the close, moving up from the lows on dealer buying after small commission house selling subsided. Shipment offerings were on the light side and averaged about ¼ cent above local buyers ideas.

Limited offerings from Indonesia reflected political uncertainties in that quarter, traders said. Domestic factory buying in the delivered market here was described as "less than routine." Spot No. 1 Rss was quoted at 31⅞ cents.—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per $1)	5.80
Sterling notes (per £1)	15.75
Australian notes (per £1)	12.90
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	14.50
Siam tical (per 100)	28.05
Singapore (Straits)	1.80

NY COTTON FUTURES SEE-SAW AFTER STEADY OPENING

New York, May 9.

Narrowly irregular price changes accompanied a quiet trade in cotton futures today.

Following a steady opening, when a few deliveries were nudged to seasonal highs on a small overnight accumulation of New Orleans and Commission House buying orders, prices see-sawed indecisively.

Closing prices ruled unchanged to off 7 points. The market opened unchanged to up 3 points. New Orleans closed up 1 to 3 points.

Evening-up operations in the expiring May delivery, and attendants switching operations, featured while traders elsewhere awaited Washington developments on farm legislation and a clearer view on future price support policy for raw cotton.

Delivery notices for 400 bales on the May contract, including 200 bales each at Houston and Galveston, were taken up by spot interests. Open position in May today totalled 56,400 bales. The certificated stock remained at 11,051 bales.

Weekly loan figures had little market effect since entries and withdrawals practically balanced. Impoundings for the week ended May 3 totalled 25,510 bales against withdrawals of 25,573 bales. The net stock of 1956 crop under loan totalled 4,001,968 bales.

NEW YORK

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot	35.35n
May	35.31
July	35.09-11
October	33.83
December	33.85
March	33.94
May	33.91
July	33.25
October	31.69

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot	34.00
May	35.31
July	35.08
October	33.83
December	33.86
March	33.96
May	33.92
July	33.25
October	31.73

LIVERPOOL

Cotton future closings, in pence per lb. were as follows:

Old contract	
May/June	26.58
July/August	26.47
October/November	26.29-30
December/January	26.20
March/April	26.24
New contract	
May/June	26.75
July/August	26.58
October/November	26.40
December/January	26.35
March/April	26.31

Sao Paulo, quotations were unavailable.

In the United States, the average price of one-inch cotton at 14 designed spot markets was 33.89 cents. Sales totalled 71,609 bales.—United Press.

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"CARTHAGE"	5th July	To be advised

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Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
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"CANTON"	5th June	13th July
"CORFU"	13th July	To be advised

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The Wrong Note

THERE was a time when everyone held out the highest hopes for Gwen's future. In the Welsh town where she lived and where everyone was musical (though some were more musical than others) there was ungrudging praise and admiration for her talents as a pianist.

"Oh Gwennie will go far," they said. "Gwennie will go to the very top."

Gwen, a fair-haired, nice-looking girl, accepted the compliments and went on with her rigorous training for success.

ALTERED COURSE

THEN something went wrong. Perhaps funds ran out, or the tide of Gwen's talent turned and began to ebb. Something happened at any rate that altered sharply the course of Gwen's career.

When she should have been at the height of her powers as a pianist, with a concert-hall spotlight focussed upon her, she began to make public appearances under watery sunlight filtered through the skylights of magistrates' courts.

Instead of her name upon impresarios' posters, Gwen's name figured in the list of those to be tried at the Glamorgan Assizes. She had turned thief.

VERY TALENTED

AT Clerkenwell court the other day, Gwen, now 40, pleaded guilty to shoplifting—she had taken a handbag, a lipstick, a two-piece suit, a cardigan, from a West End store. A few weeks before she had been sentenced to a month's prison for shoplifting.

A man she hoped to marry went into the witness-box at Clerkenwell. "This lady," he said, "is very talented. She comes from a very good family. She has learned her lesson and turned over a new leaf. . . ."

"But she *hasn't*," the magistrate, Mr Frank Powell, protested. "She came out of prison three days ago and now she does this."

He sent Gwen to prison for three months, and she went away back to Holloway. In Wales they would read about Gwen's career in London, as they had always known they would, but under different headlines than those they had hoped to see.

IKE'S REQUEST

Washington, May 9.

President Eisenhower has asked the major United States television and radio networks for time to make speeches in support of his budget and foreign aid programme.—Reuter.

BULGANIN & NUCLEAR BOMB TESTS

London, May 9.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin has told the Director of the Japanese Peace Committee that the Soviet Union is ready to halt atomic and hydrogen bomb tests "as soon as the United States and Britain agree to take analogous obligations upon themselves," Moscow Radio said today.

The Soviet Premier made the statement in a message replying to one from Shioji Ogata, Director of the Japanese body, the Radio said.

In his reply Bulganin said the Soviet Union "fully appreciated" Japanese concern over the continued testing of H and A-bombs, and that she was continuing to work for agreement on a total banning of nuclear weapons.

"I fully agree with you (Ogata) that an agreement to stop tests would create opportunities to reach agreement on the full and unconditional prohibition of nuclear weapons," Bulganin's reply said.

"The Soviet Union has consistently worked and continues to work for agreement on banning of nuclear weapons and withdrawing them from the equipment of nations.

Bulganin said in his reply that the Soviet Union "regretted" the fact that the Western Powers had not supported its proposals to divorce the question of nuclear disarmament from that of conventional disarmament.—United Press.

Convict Rebels Given Food

New York, May 9.

Two hundred rebellious convicts at North Dakota State Penitentiary showed signs of surrender today and the Warden, O. J. Nygaard, rewarded them with their first food in two days.

A double fried egg sandwich was passed through cell bars to each of the famished prisoners.

But the prisoners were kept locked up in the cold, littered cells into which they had been driven when a flying wedge of prison guards broke the back of their four-hour riot on Tuesday.

Governor John Davis, conducting an informal investigation of the riot, said the convicts had not yet come forward with their "alleged grievances".—United Press.

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

"Oh, don't ask me to stay another minute! I've just got time to get home and thaw out our dinner!"

MAXIMUM SENTENCE UPHELD BY COURT

The Full Court this morning dismissed an appeal against the maximum sentence of five years imposed on a first offender for possession of dangerous drugs by the District Court.

The Chief Justice, Mr Justice M. J. Hogan, and the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice T. J. Gould, comprised the Full Court.

The appellant, Wong Chun-sum, had been sentenced by Judge J. Wicks at the Victoria District Court in March for possession of 11 pounds of morphine.

Representing Wong, Mr T. A. Shurlock (who was instructed by M. K. Lam and Co.) said the appellant had pleaded guilty to the charge.

The fact, he submitted as to whether an accused pleaded guilty or not should be taken into account by a Court of Appeals in deciding whether or not the sentence was manifestly excessive.

Counsel contended that the five-year sentence for a first offender, who was aged 48, even for the type of offence which he had admitted, was highly excessive.

GREAT TEMPTATION

Replying to a question from the Court, Mr Shurlock said his client worked on a ship. It was clear that he had been subjected to a great temptation.

The appellant, he went on, had also been charged with the offence of importing. He had pleaded not guilty and no evidence was offered on that charge.

Mr Shurlock submitted that importing was a more serious charge than possession. Assuming that the trial Judge found the appellant guilty on that charge, the appellant could not have received a heavier sentence than five years—the maximum which could be imposed by a District Judge.

It seemed illogical therefore, he said, for his client to have received five years for the lesser charge of possession.

Counsel submitted that the proper sentence should have been two or three years' hard labour.

Giving the Full Court's decision, the Chief Justice said the Court did not think it was correct to say that because the charge of importing might be considered more serious than the present charge, a lesser sentence should therefore have been imposed.

Looking at the circumstances of the offence to which the appellant pleaded guilty, Mr Justice Hogan continued, the Full Court did not think that the sentence was manifestly excessive and that it would be right to interfere with it.

On Mr Shurlock's application, the Full Court ordered that the sentence be dated from the date of conviction in March.

NOT GRANTED

Another man, Wong Yun-kun, appealed against the sentence of two years and six months passed on him in March by Judge K. R. Macfee on two counts of simple larceny.

Wong said he had lost his father when he was seven months old, and his mother brought him up.

Asking for a reduction of sentence, appellant said his mother and grandmother were going to China shortly and he wished to go with them, otherwise he would be all alone here when he was released from gaol.

Wong asked that he be caned instead of serving his entire sentence.

Dismissing the appeal, Mr Justice Hogan pointed out that Wong had a long record of previous convictions. Taking this into account, and also the circumstance of the two thefts he had committed, the Court saw no reason to interfere with the sentence.

NO REDUCTION

Another unsuccessful appellant was Chan Tak-sang. Chan had appealed against the sentence of four years passed by Judge K. R. Macfee for robbery with aggravation.

Appellant asked the Court for a chance, saying he had aged parents to support.

Asked what he had done for a living after coming out of prison two years ago, Chan said he took up work on a sewing machine.

The Chief Justice told the prisoner that the crime for which he had been convicted was very serious. Although the sentence was a substantial one, the Court felt it was not justified in reducing it.

Duke Retains Titles

London, May 9.

The Duke of Norfolk, Bernard Marmaduke Fitzlan - Howard, will remain Master of the Palace, Earl Marshal, and Chief Butler of England, Mr R. A. Butler, leader of the House of Commons, announced today.

Mr Butler told the House that the Government had no intention of abolishing the Duke's hereditary functions.

He said the duties of Chief Butler consisted of giving a cup of wine to the sovereign during the Coronation banquet.

Although there has not been a Coronation banquet since that of George IV in 1821, the title still carries certain tax privileges, the reason for a Labour movement to abolish the title.

The Duke of Norfolk, head of Britain's Catholics, has submitted a bill to the House of Lords which, according to Mr Harold Wilson, Labour member, would allow the holder of the title to keep Arundel Castle in the family without paying succession taxes.—France-Presse.

Civil Servants Sacked

Amman, May 9.

The Jordanian government today dismissed a number of civil servants for failing to obey its order to return to work, government sources said here today.

Observers estimate that 20 civil servants from several departments are affected.—Reuter.

8 LAKHS PROFIT BY MACAO ELECTRIC CO.

A net profit of $832,923.29 for the year ended November 30, 1956 was reported by the Directors of the Macao Electric Light Company at the 42nd ordinary annual general meeting of the company held this morning in the Board Room of Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Alexandra House.

The meeting was presided over by Mr F. J. Gellion (Chairman). Directors present were Mr H. Nolasco, Mr D. B. Evans, representing Messrs Johnson, Stokes and Master, Secretaries, and Mr S. S. Gordon, representing Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Auditors.

Shareholders present were Mrs A. Pereira da Silva, Mr Mak Kiu-fan, and Messrs A. J. Threlfall and A. A. Malden representing the British General Electric Co. Ltd.

Addressing the meeting Mr Gellion said that he was pleased to say that the generating plant had been maintained in excellent condition and that the new work on the mains was progressing satisfactory.

THE ACCOUNTS

The directors' report stated that after charging $388,285.32 for depreciation the net profit for the year amounted to $832,923.29. Adding to this profit the balance of $258,804.17 brought forward from last year there was an amount of $1,091,727.46 at credit of Profit and Loss Appropriation Account which the Directors proposed to deal with as follows:

To pay a dividend of $1.20 per share on 500,000 shares ($600,000); to pay to the Government of Macao 10 per cent of the amount distributed as dividend in terms of Clause 15 of the Extension Contract ($60,000); to transfer to General Reserve $200,000; to transfer to provision for depreciation of stores and materials $18,841.89; to carry forward to the next account $212,885.57.

The Directors' report and statement of accounts were adopted on a proposal by the Chairman and seconded by Mr H. Nolasco.

Mr H. Nolasco was re-elected as a Director on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr D. B. Evans.

Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, were re-appointed auditors on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr H. Nolasco.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O., Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.

The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mails can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

FRIDAY, MAY 10
By Air

Formosa, U.S.A., 7 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Canada, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Burma, 4 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 11
By Air

Foking, Shanghai, Hankow, Kunming, Hoihow, 7 a.m.
Indo-China, France, 9 a.m.
Thailand, Malaya, N. Borneo, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand & Ceylon, 11 a.m.
Philippines, 2 p.m.
Korea, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
Thailand, India, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Japan, Okinawa, 6 p.m.
By Surface
China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Seychelles, Br. East Africa, (N. & S. Rhodesia & Nyasaland, Farcels via Beira), 11 a.m.
Formosa, 11 a.m.
Korea, Noon.
Macao, 1 p.m.
Indo-China, Thailand, 1 p.m.
Indonesia, 3 p.m.
Malaya, Ceylon, Great Britain, Europe, 3 p.m.
India, Pakistan, Iraq, 4 p.m.
N. Borneo, Rabaul, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

Cancels Trip

Washington, May 9.

The United States Secretary of Commerce, Mr Sinclair Weeks, announced today that he had cancelled a visit to Japan in order to be in Washington when Congress considered President Eisenhower's international trade programme.

Mr Weeks had hoped to be in Tokyo later this month to attend the international trade fair and to hold discussions with Japanese government officials.

He said he would have to stay in Washington to co-operate on many legislative measures, including a bill to authorise United States membership in the new Organisation for Trade co-operation.—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.

6.30 p.m., Time for Teen-agers presented by Deborah Hurlbatt; 6, Time Signal; Programme Summary; 6.02, Popularity Poll presented by Ted Thomas; 6.30, Asian Club; 7, Pipd Organ in the Mosque—Reginald Foort; 7.15, A Life of Bliss—written by Godfrey Harrison and produced by Leslie Bridgmont (BBCTS); 7.45, Going to the Pictures—The Critics discuss the pictures they have seen this week, Chairman, Timothy Birch; 7.55, Weather Report; 8, Time Signal; The News; 8.09, Commentary or Stop Press Item; 8.15, Music Lovers' Hour—Classical Requests presented by Aileen Dekker; 9.15, The Golden Butterfly by Walter Besant and James Rice Dramatised by Howard Agg: 2—The Luck of Gilead P. Beck' (BBCTS), (Repeat of last Sunday's broadcast); 9.45, 'Platter Parade'—presented by Nick Kendall; 10.30, A Mantovani Concert; 10.58, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal; Radio News Reel; 11.15, Goodnight Music; Sonata No. 12 in F Major, K. 332 (Mozart); 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

3 p.m., Musical Matinee; 3.30, Strike Up the Band; 4, The Story of Bottle Castle; 4.15, Tea for Two; 4.30, Musical A.B.C.—Songs beginning with letter "G"; 5, Children's Corner—Nursery Sing Song—With Violet Carson and Doris Gambell; 5.30, Friday Requests—Presented by Betty; 6.25, Birthday Mailbag; 6.30, Showtime Serenade; 6.45, Ceremony of Laying the Foundation Stone at the New Headquarters of the St John Ambulance Association and Brigade by H.E. the Governor; 7, Personality Parade—Frankie Howard; 7.15, Track Talk—Tips for Tomorrow's Races; 7.30, Eddie Fisher with Axel Stordahl's Orchestra; 7.45, The Mystery of Nurse Lorimer; 8, Time Signal and the News; 8.09, Weather Report, Announcements and Interlude; 8.15, The Tops in Popular Music; 8.30, Music for Two—A New Studio Presentation in which two visitors select their musical answers to certain unusual and unlikely circumstances; 9, Cafe Continental; 9.30, Dennis Day Show; 10, Rediffusion Spotlight—Interview with Mr Robert Cummings; 10.15, Piano Echoes; 10.30, Music by Andre Kostelanetz and his Orchestra; 11, Date with Dreamland; 11.30, Fruitude to Midnight; 12 Midnight, "God Save the Queen"; Close Down.

Pickpockets Active

Pickpockets were active in various parts of Kowloon and the New Territories yesterday. A total of five cases of larceny from the person were reported to the Police.

Two Chinese have been detained on charges of attempting to steal a wrist and a fountain pen in two separate larceny cases. Two women reported that their wrist watches had been snatched in Grampian Road and Larch Street respectively.

In the New Territories an unidentified man snatched a handbag containing cash and keys from a Chinese woman in Tung Hing Street near Sha Po Village.

Seaman On Drug Charge

Chan Kam-yuen, 31-year-old seaman, of 17 First Street, third floor, charged with importation and possession of 4.37 lbs of morphine hydrochloride on the ss Fulden which arrived from Bangkok. On May 1, was this morning further remanded for seven days by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central Magistracy.

February Surplus

Government revenue for the month of February totalled $44,171,238.92. Expenditure was $36,040,199.30, leaving a surplus of $8,131,039.62, the Government Gazette disclosed this morning.

The general revenue balance on February 28 stood at $336,946,459.39.

STAR FERRY CONCOURSE

The second phase in the construction of the Star Ferry concourse in Connaught Road Central will commence shortly. Tenders for its construction are being called in this morning's Government Gazette.

The Gazette notified that tenders should reach the Tender Board by noon, May 31.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cut-Rates For Christians

Sir,—I write to make a most indignant protest at the decision to allow "students and Christians" into the film "Day of Triumph" at reduced prices. I believe the film deals with part of the life of Christ. He showed little interest in the contemporary saints but His mission was devoted entirely to the welfare of confessed sinners.

Would it not have been more Christ-like if the organisers had offered reduced prices to pagans and charged Christians the full wallop? I find it hard to believe that any Christian would bother to ask for a letter from his church authorising a cut-rate seat let alone publicly claim a privilege for his beliefs at the expense of his unknowing neighbour.

R. H.

Counting Machine

Sir,—The photograph in the China Mail of May 8 showing a vote counting machine may be of interest to your readers.

The machine pictured is a Hollerith Sorter-Counter, and a machine of the same type has been in regular use in the Colony for over seven years. The machine uses punched cards as its medium for counting, and I would suggest that the members of the Bonn Bundestag hand in a pre-punched card to the official operating the machine, who, when having received a card from each member, runs the cards through the machine at 400 cards per minute and reads off the answers from the counters.

This type of machine is in great demand where simple statistics are required since the machine is able to sort the cards into desired sequences as well as count them.

I would be pleased to answer any questions that may arise from this letter.

WOODSTOCK.

Lunar Eclipse Next Tuesday

There will be a total eclipse of the moon next Tuesday, May 14, but unfortunately only the beginning of this lunar eclipse will be seen from Hongkong.

According to the Royal Observatory, the earth's shadow will appear on the moon's surface at 5.45 a.m. Hongkong Summer Time on May 14.

The area of the moon's surface obscured increases gradually but the sun rises at 6.43 a.m., three minutes before the moon sets and nine minutes before the beginning of the total eclipse. The moon sets in the west southwest.

New Unofficial JP

The appointment of Mr Hatam Tyebjee Barma to be an unofficial Justice of the Peace was notified in the Government Gazette this morning.

Today's Gazetted Appointments

The following appointments, transfers, promotions and postings have been approved, the Government Gazette announced this morning:

Mr John Crichton McDouall to be Special Assistant Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

Dr A. H. R. Coombes, Senior Health Officer, to be Acting Assistant Director of Health Services; Dr James Chang Tan-chi, Assistant Medical Officer, to be Medical Officer; Mr Leung Kwok-tak, Pathological Laboratory Technician, to be Senior Laboratory Technician.

Mr G. C. Hamilton, Cadet Officer, Class II, to be Assistant Secretary, Colonial Secretariat; Mr S. A. Webb-Johnson, Cadet Officer, Class II, ceased to be Assistant Secretary, Colonial Secretariat.

Mr J. A. C. Hurlbatt, Senior Executive Officer, Class I, ceased to act as Deputy Accountant General, and assumed duty as Acting Controller of Stores; Mr. F. J. Anslow, Senior Executive Officer, Class I, to be Acting Deputy Accountant General, vice Mr Hurlbatt; Mr F. Crabb, Senior Executive Officer, Class II, to be Acting Principal Accountant (Inspections) and ceased to be Senior Accountant (Headquarters), vice Mr Anslow; Mr A. J. M. Prata, Executive Officer, Class I, to be Acting Senior Accountant (Headquarters), vice Mr Crabb.

Mrs Louise Clendon Penman to be Education Officer.

Mr Charles Leonard Stevens, Sub-Inspector of Police, to be Acting Assistant Superintendent of Police; Mr Robert James Bretherton, Sub-Inspector of Police, to be Acting Assistant Superintendent of Police.

Protection For Workers

Regulations are published today in a Government Gazette supplement relating to the use of processes involving radiation in industrial undertakings.

An accompanying notes observes that the use of such processes is increasing in the Colony and the need for a measure of control over them is considered desirable.

The regulations seek to do so by prohibiting the use of such processes without the permission of the Commissioner of Labour, and by specifying the steps to be taken by employers for the protection of persons employed by them.

AIR ADVISORY BOARD

The Government Gazette notified this morning that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr R. J. Sheppard to be a Member of the Air Advisory Board for a period of two years with effect from May 1, 1957, vice Mr R. Y. Frost.

Here's FOOTNOTE news of headline importance!

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